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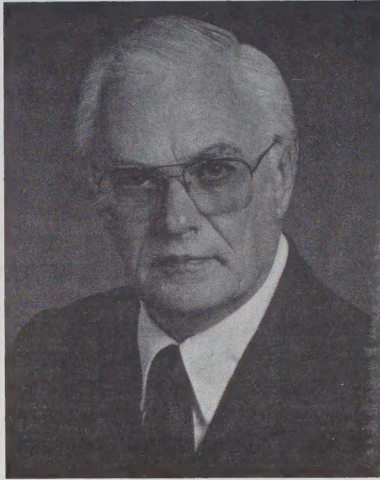
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of the
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH
SYNOD
of the
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF NORTH AMERICA

Geneva College
Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania
June 15-June 21, 1985

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MODERATOR OF SYNOD—1985

SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 1985, 7:30 P.M.

The One Hundred Fifty-sixth Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment at College Hill Reformed Presbyterian Church, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, on June 2, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. After the singing of Psalm 93 A, prayer and the singing of Psalm 84 A, David Carson, classmate of the Retiring Moderator, read the Scripture from I Corinthians 15:1-11, 50-58. Following the singing of Psalm 84 B the Retiring Moderator, Paul E. Faris, preached on the theme "An Abounding Assembly." He then, constituted the Court in prayer. The Roll of Synod was made up and is as follows for all the meetings of Synod:

ROLL OF SYNOD 1985

Adams, Jonathan, New Covenant
Backensto, Bruce R.,
Basil, Fred, L., Sparta
Barclay, Lee, Seattle
Birdsall, J. Donald, Los Angeles
Bittner, Lee P., Geneva College
Blackwood, Roy Jr., Second Indianapolis
Blackwood, William, Marion
Boyle, Samuel E.
Burger, Charles F., Cambridge

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Burke, David, Quinter	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Carson, David M., Geneva College	X X
Carson, Norman M., Geneva College	
Carson, James D., Los Angeles	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Caskey, Joseph M.,	
Caskey, R. Wylie,	
Chao, Charles, Taiwan	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Charlton, Mark, Almonte	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Coast, Paul, Eastvale	XXXX XXXXXX
Coon, David C., White Lake	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Coon, Philip L.,	
Copeland, E. Clark, Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXEEE
Copeland, Lloyd, Denison	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Paul E., Rochester Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Stanley, Armed Service Chaplain	XXXXXXXXXXXXX X
Cornell, William,	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Cunningham, Charles, First Beaver Falls	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Dobbs, James, Tusca Area	X X X X
Duffield, A. Wayne, New Alexandria	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Duke, John, Finance Committee	XXXXX XXXXX
Edgar, John O.,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Edgar, Kermit S.,	
Edgar, William J., Broomall	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
Elliott, D. Howard, Winchester	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Faris, Harold, Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Faris, Paul E.,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Felker, Donald,	
Finley, Paul W., Walton	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Forest, Edward, Orlando	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Franklin, Godfrey,	
Fullerton, Robert, First Beaver Falls	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Gangadean, Surrendra, Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXEEE
Ganz, Richard L., Ottawa	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Good, Ronald V., Washington	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Graham, Ronald, Minneola	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Harrington, Milton, Hetherton	
Harrington, Harold B., Rose Point	XXXXXXX XXXXX
Hemphill, Bruce C., Hays	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
Hemphill, E. Raymond,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, Robert L., Selma	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Henning, Robert A., Winchester	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hill, Joseph A., Geneva College	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Hindman, J. Edward, Denison	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hindman, Paul J.,	
Hoffman, Kenneth, Tusca Area	XXXXXXXXXXEXXXXX

Hughes, James, Ottawa	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hutcheson, Thomas M.,	
Hutcheson, T. Richard,	
Hutmire, Louis, Covenant Fellowship	XX
Joseph, Ralph E., Superior-Beulah	XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Joseph, Raymond P.,	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Kepple, Daniel,	
Keys, Wilbur, Belle Center	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Kilpatrick, Lester E.,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Kincaid, Garland,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
LaMay, Robert L., Topeka	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Leach, Charles, Japan	
Leach, Jonathan, Elkins Park	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Long, David, West Lafayette	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Lowe, Duncan, New Covenant	
Reformed Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Magill, Keith, Southside Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, J. Bruce, Hebron	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Meville W., Home for the Aged	
Martin, Paul M., Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Philip W.,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Masunaga, Toshio, Higashisuma	
Mathews, Carl, Lawrence	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Mathews, R. Paul,	
McBurney, Waldo, Quinter	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McBurney, Kenneth, Almonte	
McCracken, D. Raymond,	
Coldenham-Newburgh	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, J. Paul, Westminster	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, Paul D.,	
McCracken, Robert, Australia	
McCready, Jack, Westminster	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McElroy, June,	
McFarland, Glenn E., Santa Ana	
McFarland, M.L., Ogemaw	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, Robert H., Dir. of Youth Services	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMahan, Steve, Hebron	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, John, Endwell	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, Robert,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, Willard, Geneva College	EXXXXXXXXX XXXXX
Meahl, Harry R., Endwell	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Metcalfe, William K., Ridgefield Park	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Milroy, Jerrold S., Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Mitchel, Waldo, Topeka	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Miwa, Nobuo, Kasumigaoka	
Montini, John W., Geneva	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
More, Robert Jr.,	
More, Wilbur, Deacon Delegate,	
Mid-west Presby	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Morton, James, Almonte	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Morrow, Robert,	XXXXXXXXXXE
Musselman, Dale, Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
O'Neill, Jerry, Columbus	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Patterson, David R.,	
Paul, Joseph, Armed Service Chaplain	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXE
Peachy, David,	
Pennington, James C., Greeley	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXE
Pihl, William H., Clarinda	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Piper, Donald, Seattle	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Pockras, Philip, Belle Center	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Price, Thomas A. Jr., Sterling	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Price, George W.,	
Reyle, Stanley, College Hill	XXXEXXXXXXXXXXE
Rice, Robert,	
Reid, Thomas,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Roberts, William, Bloomington	XXXXXXXXXXXXX XE
Robb, G.M.,	
Robson, Edward A., Syracuse	XXXXXXX XEEEEEE
Rowe, Carter, Syracuse	XXXXXXXXXXE
Russell, Hartley, Walton	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Russell, Timothy, Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXX XXXXX
Rutkowski, Walter, Manchester	XXXXXXXXXX
Schmidtberger, Robert, Hetherton	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Schutz, Frank, Allegheny	XXXXXXXXXX XXXXX
Shoop, Orville, Marion	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Alvin W. Sr.,	
Smith, Dale, Lisbon	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Dean R., College Hill	XXXXXXXXEXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Kenneth G., Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Marshall, Broomall	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Spear, Gene W., Japan	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Spear, Wayne R., Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXE
Stegall, Ronald H., Lawrence	XXXXXXX XXXXXXX
Sterrett, Charles S., Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, Samuel B., Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, William J., Japan	
Stevenson, Floyd, Rose Point	XXXXXXXXXXEXXXXXX
Stevenson, Raymond, Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Stewart, Bruce C., North Hills	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Swartz, Walter, Oswego	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Takiura, Shigeru, Keiyaku	
Thompson, Harold,	
Tweed, John H., North Hills	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Tweed, Robert B., Anchorage	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Van Camp, Sidney, Aurora	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Van Osdol, Randall, Washington D.C.	
Watt, Jonathan, Manchester	
Weilersbacher, Donald, San Diego	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
White, John H., Geneva College	XXXXXX XX XXXX
Wissner, Jay, Alegheny	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wells, Brent, Deacon Delegate,	
Ohio-Illinois Presbytery	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wilcox, D. Ray,	
Willson, S. Bruce,	
Wilson, J. Paul,	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Wilsey, Martin J., Eastvale	XX XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, J. Renwick, Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, James M., Orlando	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Zebrun, Walt, Second Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Elders without certificates were seated as members of the Court. Elders present who are not delegates were granted the privileges of the floor for all the meetings of Synod.

The following persons were introduced as delegates to the Court for the first time: Wilbur More, deacon delegate from Midwest Presbytery; Brent Wells, deacon delegate from Ohio-Illinois Presbytery; Floyd Stevenson, ruling elder, Rose Point; William Roberts, teaching elder, Bloomington; Walt Zebrun, ruling elder, Second Indianapolis; Fred Basil, ruling elder, Sparta; Mark Charlton, teaching elder, Almonte; Jonathan Adams, ruling elder, New Covenant Reformed Fellowship; Sidney Van Camp, teaching elder, Aurora; Blair McFarland, teaching elder from North Ireland on pulpit exchange with Kenneth McBurney from Almonte; Douglas Chamberlain, pastor elect of the Ridgfield Park Congregation; Charles F. Burger, ruling elder, Cambridge; Harry Meahl, ruling elder, Endwell.

The following officers were elected for this meeting of Synod: John H. Tweed, Moderator; Paul M. Martin, Clerk; Jonathan Leach, Assistant Clerk.

The Memorial Service was held. The death of Pastor Paul D. White was noted. A memorial was read by D. Howard Elliott and is printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The deaths of the following ruling elders were noted: Fenton Farley, Geneva; J. Wylie Kennedy, Greeley; Ralph Ramsey, First Beaver Falls. The death of Mabel Latimer, a missionary to Cyprus, was noted.

Gene Spear led in the memorial prayer.

The Report of the Clerk of Synod was taken up. Items 1-5 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SYNOD

The Clerk of the 1984 Synod reports that he has carried out the duties assigned to him by the Synod.

The **1984 Minutes of Synod and Yearbook** was edited by the Clerk. Mr. Donald McCrory, Director of Publication and Educational Materials, helped extensively with the printing arrangements. Mr. Harold Reyburn helped extensively with the forming of the **Minutes** for printing. Mrs. Betty Mazur helped with the proofreading. I am sorry for the delay in the printing of the **Minutes**. With the Synod being held in August then with other delays I was not able to get them to the printer as soon as I would have liked. The printer was Mercury Press in Pittsburgh.

I am trying various things to bring down the cost of the **Minutes**. The Board of Education and Publication at the direction of the Synod charges \$5 per copy but the cost of publication is about \$10 per copy. A major portion of that is in the set-up fees which the printer needs to charge. Last year you noted a difference in the appearance of the print. I had the pages set up on my computer and printer Mercury Press then photographed the page and printed it from that. By this process we cut down on some of the printing costs. The end product was not as good as I would like. I am looking into a couple of other possibilities. One is to find a portable computer that would be compatible with the printer at Mercury Press. The other is to use another daisy wheel on my printer which would make a smaller character but a print which will be easier to read. I will continue to pursue ways of cutting the cost of publication, if you want me to continue on as Clerk. Having done this once, I expect I will be able to complete the work of printing the **Minutes** more quickly this year, though I am always glad to relinquish this office to another.

Letters were sent to all Boards and Committee Chairmen reminding them that Reports for Synod are to be in the hands of the Clerk by April 15th for inclusion in the **Digest**. The **Docket** for the 1985 Synod has been prepared and is included in the **Digest**. The **Digest** has been reproduced and mailed out by the office of the Board of Education and Publication.

A "Synopsis of Rules of Synod" has been included in the **Digest**. I have included in the **Docket** a page for all reports, though some do not now have a printed report. You may include these when you receive them at Synod. This is to facilitate the organization of the reports. I have tried to set a specific time on the agenda for each report. If you have a report for Synod that has not been assigned a time on the agenda, please let the Clerk know so he can assign a time for it.

The **Docket** for the day may be completed before the time for recess or adjournment. Therefore, to facilitate the completion of business, the Clerk will call for unfinished business that may already be assigned another place on the agenda. Please inform the Clerk if you have a report that is ready and might be handled ahead of the scheduled time.

Recommendations:

1. That the order of business and hours of meeting stated in the **Docket** be accepted as the agenda for this meeting of Synod.
2. That the parliamentarians for this meeting of Synod be Paul E. Faris, Kenneth G. Smith, and Robert B. Tweed.
3. That the precentor for this meeting of Synod be Walter "Kit" Swartz.
4. That an offering be taken to defray the expenses of Synod Wednesday morning following the reading of the **Minutes**.
5. That the following be referred to the Nominating Committee:
 - a. Committee on Time and Place for the 1987 meeting of Synod;
 - b. Those to whom letters of remembrance should be sent (**1974 Minutes**, p. 60);
 - c. Those to be elected to fill vacancies on Synod's boards and permanent committees.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul M. Martin, Clerk

Following the singing of Psalm 4B the Court was adjourned in prayer by the Moderator.

MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1985, 8:30 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment on June 17, 1985 at 8:30 a.m. The Court was constituted in prayer by the Moderator.

The Roll was called.

The Court was led in devotions by Frank Schutz. Charles Cunningham read God's Word from Psalm 90. Edward Forest led in prayer. Robert Fullerton preached God's Word on "The Lordship of Christ of Our Time."

The Minutes were read and approved.

The following papers were presented and read:

Paper 85-1 concerning the ordination of Harry Metzger "Sine Titulo" for the conducting of ministry in the Chicago area was referred to the Parliamentarians to report to this meeting of Synod.

Paper 85-2 concerning the break-up of marriages throughout the denomination was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Moderator.

The Committees to be appointed by the Moderator were read and are as follows:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Nominating Committee

Ronald Stegall
Robert LaMay
Timothy Russell (2 yrs.)
Robert McFarland (2 yrs.)
Jack McCready
Edward Forest

Resolution of Thanks

David Burke
Walt Zebrun

Committee on Paper 85-6

Sidney Van Camp, Chairman
Ralph Joseph
Ronald Good
Robert Catloth
Louis Hutmire

Judicial Committee

Duncan Lowe, Chairman
Edward Hindman
Jerry O'Neill
Surrendra Gangadean
Stanley Reyle
Lee Barclay

Committee on Paper 85-2

Ray Hemphill, Chairman
James M. Wright
Walter Swartz

Steve McMahan
James Hughes

Committee On Name

Orville Shoop, Chairman
Donald Birdsall
Robert Hemphill

COMMITTEES TO REVIEW RECORDS OF PRESBYTERY

Iowa

M. L. McFarland
Jay Wissner
Charles Burger

New York

James Wright
Dale Musselman
Orville Shoop

Pacific Coast

Robert Hemphill
Waldo McBurney
Lloyd Copeland

Midwest

Richard Ganz
Wilbur Keys
James Morton

Ohio-Illinois

Ronald Graham
Marshall Smith
Steve McMahan

Pittsburgh

Samuel Sterrett
Dale Smith
Hartly Russell

St. Lawrence

Raymond Hemphill
 Carl Mathews
 Raymond Stevenson

Japan Commission

Philip Pockras
 Harold Faris
 James Hughes

The Report of the Committee to Revise the **BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT** was taken up. Chapter 1 was taken up, debated and referred back to the Committee. Chapter 2 was taken up, debated and referred back to the Committee.

The Court took recess.

The Court reconvened in The Chapel of Old Main at Geneva College. The Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was taken up and read. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. In keeping with those items Kenneth G. Smith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College, and Dr. Joseph McFarland addressed the Court. The Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College to the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is to be distributed and will appear with the Report of the Board of Corporators in the **MINUTES**. Item 3 was referred to the Nominating Committee.

The Report of the Stated Clerk was taken up, amended, adopted and is as follows:

THE REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

Your Stated Clerk reports that the membership of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America has increased again in 1984. The membership as of 12/31 /84 was 5,252 compared to 5,242 a year ago. We have had a slight increase in membership for six of the past seven years.

MEMBERSHIP

	12/31/83	12/31/84
Communicant Members	3,953	3,893
Baptized Members	1,289	1,354
Total Members	5,242	5,252
Increases		
By Baptism	138	105
By profession of faith	116	79
From other R.P. Congregations	81	89
From other denominations	54	124
Other	27	16
Total Increase	416	413

Decreases

Deaths	62	46
To other R. P. Congregations	100	85
To other denominations	114	109
Final Removal	47	75
Other	87	88
Total Decrease	410	403
Baptized children making public profession	77	37

CONGREGATIONS

Congregations	69	71
Mission Stations	6	4
Men under care of presbyteries	18	12
Licensed to preach	5	5
Elders	273	270
Deacons	257	259
Missionaries	9	9
Sabbath School, average attendance	2,899	2,799
Sabbath Worship	4,053	3,940
Young People's Societies members	200	183

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

Beginning Balances	\$ 466,259	\$ 393,117
Receipts	2,850,704	3,219,883
Disbursements:		
Pastors' Salaries and Comp.	1,194,518	1,290,208
R.P. Missions and Ministry	248,032	248,424
Other R.P. Works	225,372	247,453
Other	1,255,942	1,378,944
Total Disbursements	\$2,923,846	\$3,165,029
Ending Balance	\$ 393,117	\$ 447,971

CONGREGATIONS ORGANIZED

New Covenant Reformed Fellowship, State College, PA	11/30/84
Aurora R. P. Church, Aurora, CO	12/29/84

MISSION STATIONS DISORGANIZED

Manhattan, Kansas	6/01/84
Union, Mars, PA	10/13/84

MINISTERS

Presbytery	1983	1984	Pastors	Other Church Work	Retired	Other
Iowa	2	3	2			
Midwest	32	34	15	2	10	7
New York	5	6	5		1	1
Ohio-Illinois	20	23	12	3	1	9
Pacific Coast	9	9	7		1	1
Pittsburgh	34	33	12	11	8	2
St. Lawrence	12	14	9	2	2	1
Japan	3	3	3			
Totals	117	125	63	18	22	22

MINISTERS ORDAINED AND INSTALLED

Frank C. Schutz	Allegheny, PA	4/27/84
William Blackwood	Marion, IA	6/15/84
Jonathan Leach	Elkins Park, PA	6/22/84
David Long	W. Lafayette, IN	7/13/84
Mark Charlton	Lochiel, Canada	11/16/84

MINISTERS INSTALLED

David L. Burke	Quinter, KS	7/25/84
D. Raymond McCracken	Coldenham-Newburg, NY	9/28/84
Sidney VanCamp	Aurora, CO	12/29/84

MINISTERS RECEIVED

Thomas Reid	From R.P.C., Ireland
Paul Copeland	R.P.C., Scotland
Sidney VanCamp	Orthodox Presbyterian Church

MINISTERS RELEASED FROM PASTORAL CHARGES

Daniel Kepple	New Alexandria, PA	1/10/84
George W. Price	Ridgefield Park, NJ	5/01/84
Joseph Paul	Manhattan, KS	6/01/84
D. Ray McCracken	Minneola, KS	7/01/84
Randall VanOsdol	Sharon, IA	10/17/84
Paul E. Faris	Lisbon, NY	10/31/84
Ronald Graham	Belle Center, OH	12/16/84

MINISTERS REMOVED BY DEATH

George S. Coleman	Pittsburgh	5/02/84
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RULING ELDERS REMOVED BY DEATH

Ralph Ramsay	1st Beaver Falls	1/04/84
George S. Bichakjian	Ridgefield Park	6/22/84
J. Wylie Kennedy	Greeley	12/23/84

STUDENTS LICENSED

James McMahon	Harry Metzger
Robert Miller	Clifford Glover

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS

Richard Basala	Pittsburgh
Robert Willson	Midwest
Roland Gunn	New York
Gerald Bowyer	Pittsburgh
John Brent	New York
Daniel Kiehl	Pittsburgh
Donald Millar	St. Lawrence
Gerald Dodds	Pittsburgh
Brian Randazzo	New York
Douglas Chamberlain	St. Lawrence
James R. Hughes	St. Lawrence
Harry Metzger	Ohio-Illinois
Tom Forest	Ohio-Illinois
Ian Speirs	St. Lawrence
James McMahon	Ohio-Illinois

ADDENDA**MINISTERS REMOVED BY DEATH**

Paul White	1/08/85
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MINISTERS RELEASED FROM PASTORAL CHARGES

Bruce R. Backensto	Colorado Springs	4/01/85
William Cornell	Cambridge	4/05/85
A. Wayne Duffield	Rimersburg	3/31/85
Isaac E. Ver Hage	Fresno	6/01/85
John M. McMillan	Walton	3/12/85

MINISTERS INSTALLED

Ronald Graham	Minneola	
Robert Hemphill	Selma	3/29/85
Philip Pockras	Belle Center	5/31/85
Duncan Lowe	New Covenant	5/05/85
A. Wayne Duffield	New Alexandria	4/16/85
John M. McMillan	Endwell	3/12/85

CONGREGATIONS ORGANIZED

Endwell

3/12/85

CONGREGATIONS DISORGANIZED

New Castle

1/05/85

STUDENTS LICENSED

Douglas Chamberlain

3/13/85

Louis D. Hutmire

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was taken up. John M. Mitchell, Chairman of the Board presented the Report. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was amended and adopted. Item 3 was taken up and debated.

The Court took recess in prayer by Robert LaMay.

MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1985, 1:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened by Orville Shoop.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Arrangements was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Your Committee on Arrangements reports that the work of the Committee was done by correspondence. We carried out the recommendation from the E & P Board concerning the emphasis for the devotional messages for Synod.

The theme for the devotional messages is "The Lordship of Christ." We have secured representatives from various presbyteries to participate. Dr. John H. White has been chosen to preach at the Sabbath evening service to which the area churches have been invited.

Arrangements have been made with Geneva College, through Marc Evans, for the matters of housing, meals, places of meetings, and other concerns for the efficiency of the Synod. Information and reservation forms have been prepared and mailed to all congregations and members on the roll of Synod.

We have planned a celebration of the 175th anniversary of the Seminary during the Wednesday evening meeting of the Synod. We have also arranged to hear Pastor Jerry Kirk from the National Consultation on Pornography to address the Court during the Thursday evening session of the Synod.

Recommendations:

1. That the expenses of the Committee and other applicable expenses be paid from Synod's offering and from the Miscellaneous Fund. (Such expenses include: hosting of fraternal delegates, costs of secretarial work and duplicating, and necessary airport shuttle transportation.)
2. That since the terms of Kenneth Hoffman and Karl Cunningham have expired, two men be elected to serve for two year terms on the Committee and one man be elected to fill the remaining year of the term of Willard Hemphill who asked to be dismissed from the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy McDonald
Willard Hemphill
Karl Cunningham
Kenneth Hoffman, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Verbal Revision of the WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE VERBAL REVISION
OF THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Your Committee recommends that Synod retain the original statement (Carrothers) as the authoritative version of the **Westminster Confession of Faith**, that it and the modern language version be printed in parallel columns (the modern language version to be used as a teaching aid) and that the **Testimony** of the Church be printed in a third column parallel to the other two.

Your Committee reports that it has referred the programmed study guide on the **Westminster Confession of Faith** chapter 1, prepared by Joseph J. Little (which uses the modern language version) to the Board of Education and Publication. Mr. Little is interested in knowing if we desire that he develop the material for the whole **Confession**, and also if we would sponsor the printing of it.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Duncan Lowe
Wayne R. Spear
J. Renwick Wright, chairman

A verbal report of the Committee To Counsel Regarding War was given. The Committee was dismissed.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was taken up. Items 3-7 were referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 8 was debated and adopted. The Report as a whole was debated and adopted. D. Howard Elliott led in prayer of thanksgiving to God for His provision and enabling the denomination to meet the Ministries and Missions account. The Report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America report that they held three meetings since the last meeting of Synod and have carried on the work of the Board. The current members of the board are J. Donald Birdsall, John T. Duke, Louis D. Hutmire, Sandra Johns, Robert McCrory, John M. Mitchell, Jerry F. O'Neill, Ronald H. Stegall and R. Alan Windham. We thank each member for their active participation in the work of the Trustees. The terms of J. D. Birdsall, Louis D. Hutmire and Ronald H. Stegall expire at this meeting of Synod. Ronald Stegall has served two successive terms and is not eligible for re-election according to Synod's two-term rule. Louis Hutmire has served as Treasurer since 1969 and according to Synod's two-term rule is not eligible for re-election either, but we request that since the Charter of the Trustees states "the Treasurer shall be elected by the said Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church from the members of the said Board," and since Mr. Hutmire is currently serving a three-year term as Treasurer as elected last year, this exception be made and that he be nominated for another three-year term on the Board of Trustees. Other names suggested for nomination to the Trustees of Synod are Joseph Lamont, Richard Weir and Dennis Wing. (Refer to the Trustees Recommendation #1)

The Investment Committee reports that we have had a profitable year and refer you to pages 10 and 11 of the Audit Report for the auditor's notes on investments and to pages 19-23 for the Supplemental Schedule of Investments as of December 31, 1984.

The 1984 Synod referred paper 84-1 to the Trustees of Synod. This paper questioned the propriety of receiving income from companies which earn income by breaking the Fourth Commandment. The Trustees have struggled and will continue to struggle with how to be in this world, live in this world, work in this world and yet not be a part of it. We constantly watch our investments, striving not to invest in corporations with which we do not agree and have sold stock of companies wherein particular facts have shown that we should not invest in that corporation. We have also written letters to the corporations explaining why we sold

their stock. Our "Guidelines for Investments" which were presented to the 1982 Synod clearly show that we are seeking God's wisdom in our investments.

We have consulted with the Bloomington Session, the originators of paper 84-1 and find that their main source of objection is our investment in J.C. Penny and Sears, Roebuck & Company as they are very much in business on the Lord's Day in the Bloomington area. The Trustees have agreed to sell these two issues. In reviewing our Investment Guidelines, we feel that we need to more actively pursue finding investments in Christian works. Therefore, we have appointed a special sub-committee of our Investment Committee to aggressively implement our investment policies, particularly #2, "We will seek to invest in those trying to honor God in their use of the capital under our stewardship." John Duke has been appointed chairman of the sub-committee and \$300,000 (approx. 5% of the investment portfolio) has been made available to the committee to invest in this particular way.

In addition to this, we currently have \$218,409 invested in "General Mortgages" which is part of our investments. (Refer to page 11 to the Audit Report)

Another permanent committee of the Trustees is the Building Loan Committee. This Committee is authorized to receive and process loan applications according to the Policies and Procedures which have been approved by Synod. As of December 31, 1984, there is \$418,000 in this fund to be loaned to congregations, boards and pastors in accordance with the Policies & Procedures which are printed on pages 170-173 of the **1979 Minutes of Synod**.

In 1984, loans were made to the Phoenix and State College Congregations. Since January, a small loan was made to the Superior-Beulah Congregation and a loan to the White Lake Camp will be finalized soon. Application forms are available from the Treasurer's Office.

The Building and Loan Fund has grown as new funds have been received from the sale of church properties. In the last several years we have sold the Lake Reno, Wilkinsburg and Morning Sun properties. In some cases we have had to take back a mortgage on the sale so not all income has been received. We currently have the Park City Church property in Wichita, Kansas, and the Union Church property in Mars, Pennsylvania, to sell. Requests from presbyteries has led us to distribute about one-half of the proceeds from a sale to the presbytery for church extension work and to place the other one-half in the Building Loan Fund.

The Stewardship Committee is pleased to report that \$307,632 was raised in contributions for the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry account in 1984. This was \$7,632 more than the goal of \$300,000

and was distributed proportionately to the participating departments as instructed by Synod.

A computer has been purchased and installed which has five terminals and is available to the Denominational Office, Seminary Office, Seminary Library and Publications Office. One of the main reasons for having a computer was so we could have a mailing program wherein we could have access to mail to one person or five thousand people. We are in the process of putting information into the mailing program and would like to list the names and addresses of all Reformed Presbyterians. We, therefore, ask Synod to instruct each congregational clerk to submit a list of their members and adherents to the Stated Clerk so that this information can be inserted into the Reformed Presbyterian Mailing Program for official denominational use. (Refer to Recommendation #2)

Attached to this report is a comparative report on Undesignated Funds of Synod (Appendix "A") that were received and distributed in 1982, 1983 and 1984 and projected figures for 1985. As you can see, a large portion of the Undesignated Funds are the MacLaughlin Trusts. The special trustees of the MacLaughlin Trusts have transferred the Funds to the First National Bank of Maryland and are using Foxhall Investment Management as the investment advisor. The Trustees of Synod are receiving income quarterly. Due to the MacLaughlin Trusts we are now in a position wherein we will be receiving approximately \$100,000 each year in Undesignated Funds. The 1984 Synod anticipated this and decided to use \$50,000 toward the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry program. (Refer to the **1984 Minutes of Synod**, page 83) Geneva College has requested 50% of the income from the MacLaughlin Trusts to go to Geneva College for various reasons which include: Mrs. MacLaughlin supported the College while she was living; Mrs. MacLaughlin considered the Church and the College as one; and because Geneva College's personnel communicated with Mrs. MacLaughlin and encouraged her giving to the Church. The Trustees of Synod at their September 15, 1984 meeting reviewed this request and passed the following motion, "That as a matter of general policy for the Board of Trustees that 50% of the MacLaughlin Trust's income go to Geneva College each year and the other 50% go to the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry Fund, unless there are extenuating circumstances." The Trustees submit this policy to Synod for their approval (Recommendation #3) with the understanding that if approved it will not come before Synod each year and the income will be distributed quarterly, 50% to Geneva College and 50% to the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry Fund at the time received. Since the 1984 Synod approved distributing \$50,000 from Undesignated Funds to the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry Fund, it is understood that \$50,000 or 50% of the MacLaughlin income will be distributed, whichever is greater. The Trustees feel that our members should be remembering the Church in their wills and have

appointed J.D. Birdsall to be chairman of a committee to coordinate and promote giving to the denomination through wills. Anyone seeking personal, confidential counsel may contact this committee.

Deloitte Haskins & Sells still serve as our auditors. A copy of the 1984 Audit Report will be distributed at Synod. At the Seminary's request, Deloitte Haskins & Sells is giving a separate audit report for the Seminary and are auditing the Pension Plan "B" records separately as the records are now separate from the Trustees of Synod's Records. We would like to commend the Pension Trustees for their work in up-dating the Pension Program. The auditors are still issuing a qualified opinion because Plan "A" is underfunded. We are exploring ways to eliminate this qualification.

The Trustees continue to operate a hospitalization insurance program which is available to all church employees. The 1984 Synod referred paper 84-4 to us in which the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery requested Synod to provide the health insurance for Seminary graduates who are under the care of a presbytery and actively seeking a call in the denomination. The Trustees have revised their policy so that licentiates who are pursuing the ministry are eligible for the Trustees' Blue Cross/Blue Shield program, if a request is made by his presbytery.

The Trustees also continue to carry a Church Travel Insurance Policy which covers anyone traveling on denominational or presbytery work, including everything from travel to Synod to presbytery committee work. Medical coverage for physician, surgeon, hospital and nurse expense is limited to \$2,000 less \$50 deductible. The amount paid in case of death is \$3,000. Further information is available from the Denominational Office.

The Trustees of Synod enjoy their work and ask for your prayer support and input as we seek to be good stewards of the funds that the Lord has entrusted to this branch of his Church.

Recommendations

1. The terms of J. Donald Birdsall, Louis D. Hutmire and Ronald H. Stegall expire at this meeting of Synod. We would like to nominate J. Donald Birdsall, Louis D. Hutmire, Joseph Lamont, Jr., Richard Weir and Dennis Wing for these positions.
2. That Synod request each Session to submit a list of their members and adherents (including names and addresses) to the Stated Clerk so that this information can be inserted into the Reformed Presbyterian Mailing Program.
3. That Synod approve the following policy, "That as a matter of general policy for the Board of Trustees that 50% of the MacLaughlin Trust income go to Geneva College each year and the other 50% go to the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry program, unless there are extenuating circumstances."

4. That the 1984 Audit Report be accepted as distributed and be printed in the **Minutes of Synod**.
5. That the 1985 Proposed Revised Budget and the 1986 Proposed Budget for the Unallocated Denominational Office Expense be approved which includes the salary of the Denominational Treasurer of \$27,825. (Refer to Treasurer's Report)
6. That the request of the Seminary for \$17,000 from Undesignated Funds be referred to the Finance Committee.
7. That the 1984 Treasurer's Report be received for information.
8. That there be a review of each board's financial report at the time they present their report to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Louis D. Hutmire, Secretary

UNDESIGNATED FUNDS OF SYNOD

	1982	1983	1984	Projected 1985
Balance, January 1	\$ 97,511	\$ 59,234	\$ 40,684.29	\$ 36,747
Receipts				
MacLaughlin Trust	46,000	51,934 ^A	96,039.86	100,000
MacLaughlin Unitrust	26,773	12,875	15,219.03	12,000
MacLaughlin Smith Fd.	59,310			
Dudley Bequest	968	1,355	302.02	400
John Lucky Fund		212	225.85	225
I. & J. Kitchen Fd.	142	151	160.34	160
Kitchen Paterson Fd.	143	151	160.34	160
Edith Miller Bequest	1,600			26,000 ^C
C.T. Hutcheson Bequest		1,000		
Sarah Archer Annuity		5,000		
Indian Mission Oil				
Lease		5,273	70.31	
Andrew Brodie Bequest			6,831.00 ^B	
Clarissa Morrow Estate			31,000.00	50,000 ^D
Total Receipts	134,936	77,951	150,008.75	188,945
Cash Available	232,447	137,185	190,693.04	225,692

	1982	1983	1984	Projected 1985
Disbursements:				
R.P.M. & M.	14,350	43,501	44,200.18	50,000 ^E
Education & Pub.	20,000		44,026.00	
Geneva College	43,000	18,000	25,000.00	55,629 ^F
Foreign Mission Board	28,000			
Home Mission Board	5,000			
Pension Board	5,000	13,000		
Seminary	15,000	9,000	32,720.00	
Woman's Association	35,000	13,000	8,000.00	
Computer				8,000 ^G
Miscellaneous Fund	7,463			
Total Disbursements	173,213	96,501	153,946.18	
Ending Balance	\$ 59,234	\$ 40,684	\$ 36,746.86	

^ANo income received for the 4th quarter of 1983

^BA. Brodie Bequest - \$9,000 (Canadian) converted to \$6,831 American

^CE. Miller Bequest - 1/15th of \$400,000 will be distributed in 1985

^DBalance of C. Morrow Estate to be distributed as funds are available 25% of \$200,000

^ERefer to Synod's Finance Committee Report, Item #8 - \$50,000 to be distributed in 1985 from Undesignated Funds

^FTrustees action of September 1984 meeting was to recommend to Synod that 1/2 of the MacLaughlin income go to Geneva College

^G\$8,000 was approved in 1984 for computer but computer was not purchased until 1985. This will be distributed in 1985.

Note: Hattie Dodds DeVries died on March 15, 1985 - 1/3 of approximately \$200,000 will go to the Seminary and 1/6 to Undesignated Funds.

The Report of the Pension Trustees was taken up. Robert Catloth, Secretary of the Board presented the Report. Item 1 was adopted. Items 2-4 were referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 5 was adopted. Items 6 and 7 were referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 8 was adopted. Item 9 was adopted. the Report as a whole was adopted. In keeping with item 9 the Court was led in prayer by Paul Martin. The Report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PENSION TRUSTEES

As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:15b (See also Isaiah 52:7-10)

This year has been a busy year for the Trustees. We continue to meet twice a year (Spring and Fall) at the Shawnee R.P. Church building.

The officers of the Trustees are Dennis Olson, Chairman; Edmund Schisler, Vice-Chairman; Robert Catloth, Secretary; and Lou Hutmire, Treasurer.

All correspondence should be mailed to the Secretary at 717 Mississippi Street, Lawrence, Kansas 66044.

We want to remind the presbyteries (clerk) of the need to inform the Pension Trustees (Secretary) of action taken by the presbyteries of licenses, ordinations, installations, and changes from active to inactive service. This information is needed for term insurance and/or pension purposes.

CONTRIBUTIONS

For contributions to pension Plan B by current employees of the RPCNA a uniform contribution rate of \$400 for each participant has been set by the Pension Trustees. This amount is to be forwarded to the treasurer's office quarterly (4 x \$100).

Congregational treasurers are to forward \$10 per communicant member to the treasurer's office each year. This should be done in quarterly installments.

BENEFITS

Presently pensions for Plan A (those over 54 years of age as of January 1, 1974) are being paid to twenty-two (22) couples and nineteen (19) singles. The couples are receiving \$250 per month and the singles are receiving \$210 per month as of January 1, 1985. In 1985 we estimate we will pay out \$113,000. Two (2) participants are receiving benefits under plan B. The amount that they receive each month has been set by the Actuary. One (1) other participant is scheduled to receive a pension in 1985.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Trustees have received a letter dated July 18, 1984 from Deloitte Haskins and Sells of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, concerning the agreed upon procedures of testing records of Pension Plan B, as of December 31, 1983. The concluding paragraph reads as follows:

"Because the above procedures were not sufficient to constitute an examination made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we do not express an opinion on the individual account records or any of the items referred to above. In connection with the procedures referred to above, except as set forth above, **no matters came to our attention that caused us to believe that the individual account balances of the participants selected for testing might require adjustments.** Had we performed additional procedures or had we had an examination of the financial statements of Plan B in accordance with generally accepted auditing

standards, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you. This report relates only to the items specified above and does not extend to any financial statements of the Trustees taken as a whole." (Emphasis by the Trustees.)

Copies of this letter are available at the Treasurer's office. Deloitte Haskins and Sells has been hired by the Trustees to audit the books and records of Plan B for 1984 at a cost of \$2,500. The 1984 audit report will be distributed at Synod.

PLAN A

The Trustees have studied a report from Mercer-Meidinger concerning the possibilities of writing Plan A so it would qualify as a Church plan under I.R. Code Section 401 (a). The Trustees after careful study have decided not to pursue qualifying Plan A because of added cost and no measurable benefits.

PLAN B

The Trustees have received a letter from the Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, dated October 23, 1984, which states that they have made a favorable determination on our application for Plan B to be a qualified pension plan under Section 1.401 - 1 (b) (3).

INVESTMENTS

The Trustees agreed with the concerns of the prior years auditor's reports and the feeling of Synod and have sold the rare coins. Consequently, all funds are now invested in assets with regularly published values.

As of December 31, 1984, the total assets of Plan B are as follows:

Franklin Group:	Money Market	\$ 87,438.47
	Income Series	439,749.16
	Dynatech Series	340,825.72
	Gold Fund	69,650.31
	Subtotal	\$937,663.66
Money Market Checking Account		5,881.42
Total Assets as of 12-31-84		<u><u>\$943,545.08</u></u>

The Trustees have hired United Missouri Bank of Kansas City as their investment counsel. In the agreement dated December 26, 1984, it states that no alcohol or tobacco stocks would be purchased.

INSURANCE

The Trustees are purchasing decreasing term insurance in a group policy from Presbyterian Ministers Fund to cover all participants.

The Trustees are continuing to investigate the possibility of securing annuities to cover the benefits of those under both Plan A or B.

PAPER 84-3

Paper 84-3 was referred to the Pension Trustees. The paper from the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery requested that all licentiates be included in Plan B. Since January 1, 1974, all licentiates actively seeking a call to the gospel ministry of the church have been included in the term insurance program, but not in Plan B pension program.

The current pension program for Plan B requires a participant to be employed by some branch of the church. Since a licentiate has not been called by a branch of the church he does not qualify to be a participant in Plan B.

TRUSTEES

Currently the Pension Trustees have seven (7) members. The Terms of Joe Copeland and Dennis Wing—Class of 1985—end at this Synod.

Joe Copeland has served one three (3) year term. We request that he be reelected to another three (3) year term.

Dennis Wing is completing his second three (3) year term.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod instruct the presbyteries to include in the minutes of each installation service the date that the teaching elder actually started working in the congregation. This is needed because they are enrolled in the pension program on the first of the month following the date when they actually started working.
2. That Synod set the amount of the uniform contribution rate at \$400 for each participant in Plan B for 1986.
3. That Synod set the congregational assessment for communicant members at \$10 for the calendar year 1986 based on the communicant membership as of December 31, 1985.
4. That Synod grant the sum of \$49,100 to the Pension Trustees in 1986.
5. That Synod deny the request of Paper 84-3 and return it to the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery.
6. That Synod elect Joe Copeland for a three (3) year term to the Class of 1988.
7. That Synod elect Keith Magill or Paul Finley for a three (3) year term to the Class of 1988.
8. That Synod amend Pension Plan B to include rollovers from another qualified pension program as set forth in the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION

At a convention of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (hereafter referred to as the "Sponsoring Employer") held on the 17th day of June 1985, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer approved the adoption of Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees' Restated Pension Plan (hereafter referred to as the "Plan") effective January 1, 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer reserved the right in Article VIII of the Plan to amend the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer wishes to amend the Plan to permit an employee to roll over part or all of a "qualifying rollover distribution" from any other qualified plan or a conduit individual retirement plan to the Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Plan is hereby amended effective as of January 1, 1985, in the following respects:

**AMENDMENT NO. ONE
THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA
EMPLOYEES' RESTATED PENSION PLAN**

(A) Section 1.01 (e) is renumbered as Section 1.01 (f) and Section 1.01 (e) is added as follows:

"Section 1.01 (e) The Term "Rollover Account" shall mean the record of a Participant's interest in the Trust Fund which is attributable to Rollover contributions made pursuant to Section 14.01 of the Plan.

(B) The Plan is amended by the addition of the following Article XIV:

**ARTICLE XIV
ROLLOVER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Section 14.01 An employee of an Employer who has had distributed to him his entire interest in a plan which meets the requirements of Section 401 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code as a result of (i) termination of employment, (ii) plan termination, (iii) disability, or (iv) on or after he has Attained Age fifty-nine and one-half (59 ½) may, regardless of whether he is eligible to participate in the Plan and in accordance with procedures approved by the Pension Trustees, transfer the distribution received from such other plan to the Trust Fund for this Plan, provided the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) the transfer occurs on or before the sixtieth (60th) day following

his receipt of the distribution from the other plan or, if such distribution had previously been deposited in an Individual Retirement Account (as defined in Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code), the transfer occurs on or before the sixtieth (60th) day following his receipt of such distribution from the Individual Retirement Account plus any earnings credited thereon to such Individual Retirement Account;

- (b) the distribution from the other plan is a "qualified rollover distribution" within the meaning of subsection 402 (a) (5) (D) (i) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- (c) the amount transferred is not more than the total distribution he received from the other plan less the amount, if any, considered contributed by him in accordance with subsection 402 (e) (4) (D) (i) of the Internal Revenue Code, plus any earnings on such sum accrued during the period, if any, in which such sum was held in an Individual Retirement Account.

The Pension Trustees shall develop such procedures, and may require such information from the Employee desiring to make such a transfer, as it deems necessary or desirable to determine that the proposed transfer will meet the requirements of this Section 14.01. Upon approval by the Pension Trustees, the amount transferred shall be deposited in the Trust Fund and shall be credited to the Employee's Rollover Account.

Section 14.02 If an Employee transfers assets as provided in Section 14.01, a Rollover Account shall be established for him hereunder equal to the fair market value of the assets transferred to the Trust. Such Account shall be fully vested at all times. His Rollover Account shall be invested as a part of the entire Trust Fund and shall not be segregated and separately invested by the Trustees, but shall share in the gains and losses of the Trust Fund, in accordance with the terms of Section 4.02 hereof. Withdrawals shall not be allowed from the Rollover Account.

- 9. That following the adoption of this report, Synod rise for prayer for those who have served the Church in past years.

Submitted By:

Class of 1985: Joe Copeland, Dennis Wing

Class of 1986: Edmund Schisler, Don Weilersbacher

Class of 1987: Robert Catloth, Dennis Olson,

Charles Wise

The Report of the Committee On Time and Place for the 1986 Meeting of Synod was taken up. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE FOR THE 1986 MEETING OF SYNOD

Your Committee recommends that the 1986 Synod meet at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, July 12-18, 1986. The Synod would convene on Saturday, July 12, at 7:30 p.m. Central Daylight Time. The cost would be about \$121 per person.

Respectfully submitted,
Darrell Parnell
Dean Smith, Chairman

The Court was recessed in prayer by James D. Carson.

MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1985; 7:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by Ronald V. Good.

The Roll was called.

The Minutes were read, amended and approved.

Douglas Chamberlain, pastor-elect of the Ridgefield Park congregation, was extended the privileges of the floor. Mr. Harry Metzger who has been called to take up the work in Chicago was introduced to the Court.

The Reports of the Iowa, Midwest, New York, Ohio-Illinois, Pacific Coast, Pittsburgh and St. Lawrence Presbyteries were received. The Court was led in prayer of thanksgiving to God for these Reports by John O. Edgar. The matter of the changing of the name of the Pittsburgh Presbytery as raised in the Pittsburgh Presbytery Report was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Moderator to report back to this meeting of Synod. The Reports were received and are as follows:

Report of the Iowa Presbytery

"Enlarge the place of your tent; stretch out the curtains of your dwellings, spare not; lengthen your cords, and strengthen your pegs." (Isaiah 54:2)

This year has been a year of "strengthening the pegs" among the three congregations in the Presbytery in anticipation of growth. We have been working to see spiritual growth among the members of the congregations, and encouraging the people in doing the work of the ministry. This has shown up as the members of the Marion congregation are becoming more active in their witness for Christ; in the work Pastor Good is doing in the Washington community; and in "sending out" of Randall Van Osdol from the Sharon congregation to establish a new work in Washington, D.C. The Sharon congregation is actively seeking a new pastor, and has made out a call. This leaves us at the present time with three congregations and two pastors in the Iowa Presbytery.

Vital to doing God's work is a foundation of prayer, and this has been encouraged by establishing a monthly Presbytery news letter to keep us

informed of the ministry and activities of the congregations and individuals throughout the Presbytery.

Due to the fact that Marion congregation has just received a new pastor, visitation of that congregation has been postponed until this year.

We had one regular meeting of Presbytery on April 6, 1985, at Sharon, since the Synod of 1984. We also had one special meeting at Washington, Iowa, in order to discuss the outreach work in Muscatine and possibilities of work in Burlington, Iowa; and one meeting here at Synod.

The family conference will be August 3-7 at the Spring Valley Bible Camp, near Muscatine, Iowa, with Pastor Keith Magill as the principal speaker on the theme, "Practice of Godliness." Butch Shoop is our travel agent for this meeting of Synod. Our representative to Geneva College's Board of Corporators is Lauren Wolcott, and Ronald V. Good is our representative on the Board of Home Missions. All our members are accounted for, and the Travel Fund is paid in full.

Respectively submitted,
Ronald V. Good,
Moderator William A. Blackwood, Clerk

REPORT OF THE MIDWEST PRESBYTERY

The Midwest Presbytery respectfully reports that it has held one regular meeting and one called meeting since the last meeting of Synod. The annual meeting was held October 9 and 10, 1984 in Minneola, Kansas, and the called meeting was here at this meeting of Synod.

Since the last meeting of Synod we have had one minister, Paul D. White removed by death. We have, also, seen one of our ruling elders, J. Wylie Kennedy of Greely, called to live in heaven. We regret to report that Bruce R. Backensto was released from his pastoral charge in Colorado Springs on April 1, 1985. Please pray for him and the reunion of his family. We are pleased to welcome Sidney Van Camp into the R.P. Church. He was received by the Ad Interim Commission December 8, 1984. He had previously been examined by the Presbytery. Ronald Graham was received into our Presbytery from the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery and installed at Minneola on February 27, 1985.

We presently have 16 organized congregations under our care. This includes Aurora, Colorado, congregation which we joyfully received on December 29, 1984. The Colorado Springs congregation is presently without a pastor.

We held a highly successful men's retreat on March 15-16, 1985 with about 40 men in attendance. Paul McCracken spoke on "Training Men." Our Presbytery Family Conference this summer is scheduled for Covenant Heights on June 27-August 3. Dr. William White of Sewickley, Pennsylvania, will be speaking on "Moving Ahead In the Christian Life."

We have one man under care as a Student of Theology, Robert Wilson. He is pursuing licensure.

Our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators is Ralph Joseph; our representative to the Board of Home Missions is Tom Price; our Travel Fund Agent for this meeting of Synod is Wilbur More; and all our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas A. Price, Jr., Clerk

REPORT OF THE NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

New York Presbytery respectfully reports that of the six congregations four have settled pastors and are showing signs of growth. These are Broomall, Coldenham-Newburgh, Elkins Park and White Lake. Of the remaining two, one of them, Ridgefield Park, has called a pastor, Lic. Douglas Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain has signified his intention to accept that call, and we look forward to an ordination/installation date of September 27th. The remaining congregation, Cambridge, is beginning the process of calling a new pastor. We have two pastors-without-charge on our roll. Mr. G.W. Price, who continues to teach, and Mr. W.H. Cornell who is on sabbatical from the pastorate.

Since the last meeting of Synod we have had one regular meeting, on April 5, 1985. D. Raymond McCracken was elected moderator. It was a time of blessing and sharing.

We have one Licentiate under our care, Robert Miller; and three Students of Theology, John Brent, Roland Gunn (both are pursuing doctoral studies) and Brian Randazzo (entering his second year at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary).

We continue to support the White Lake Covenanter Camp and the Center for Urban Theological Studies (CUTS) in Philadelphia. Dr. Edgar has taught several classes at CUTS. The Family Camp dates are August 16-24 with Dr. Wayne Spear speaking to the college-adult class and Pastor Marty Wilsey to the junior-senior high class. A Junior Camp will be held August 12-16.

Several of our congregations have utilized the Westminster Evangelistic Ministries and found it to be helpful in publicizing the Gospel and providing people to follow up. An evangelistic Bible Study is under way in Middletown, New York. Our prayer is that the Lord would bless this and start a new work in this fast-developing part of Orange County.

Our travel fund agent for this meeting of Synod is Douglas Chamberlain. Our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is Donald Crawford. Our representative to the Home Mission Board is David Coon. Our Travel Fund is paid, and all of our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
David Coon, Clerk

REPORT OF THE OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

The Ohio-Illinois Presbytery respectfully reports that we have 14 congregations and one Mission Station under our care. Twelve of our congregations have pastors. Sparta is presently without a settled pastor. Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis has a Stated Supply.

Since the last meeting of Synod, we have had one regular meeting and one special meeting of Presbytery. The regular meeting was held April 11-13, 1985 in Columbus, Indiana. The special meeting was held here at Synod.

The pastoral relationship between Pastor Ronald Graham and the Belle Center congregation was dissolved as Mr. Graham accepted a call from the Minneola congregation. He has been received by the Midwest Presbytery. On May 31, 1985 Mr. Philip Pockras was installed as pastor of the Belle Center congregation and on March 29, 1985, Mr. Robert Hemphill was installed as pastor of the Selma congregation.

There are 24 pastors on the roll of Presbytery. Twelve of these are without pastorates. One is retired, one is stated supply, one is serving as a Chaplain in the US Army, one serves as librarian for the Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi, five are in teaching at the university and high school level, one is in business, one is a salesman and another is working and also providing pastoral services for the Baldwin, Illinois, Community Presbyterian Church.

We have two licensed men under our care, Mr. James McMahon and Mr. Harry Metzger. Mr. McMahon is working within the Second Indianapolis congregation. Mr. Metzger graduated in May from the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary and has been called by the Presbytery to lead in the rebuilding of the work in Chicago. We are appealing to Synod for authorization to ordain Mr. Metzger *sine titulo*. It is our hope that Synod will grant us this authorization and join with us in praying that Christ will use Harry to build a strong congregation in Chicago.

We have one additional man under our care, Mr. Fred Basil. Mr. Basil is filling the Sparta pulpit on a full-time basis while seeking to be licensed and then ordained by the Presbytery. Due to Mr. Basil's seven years of pastoral experience in the Free Methodist Church we have waived the prerequisites for licensure as stated in chapter IV, paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of the **Book of Church Government**. When Mr. Basil satisfactorily completes all of Presbytery's requirements, Presbytery intends to ordain him without requiring that he complete a full seminary course. Mr. Tom Forest is no longer under our care. Raymond Joseph and his family moved to Atlanta a year ago where he is working within the framework of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the United States. We have requested Synod's Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study to contact this new denomination with a view of entering into fraternal relations with them.

The Covfamikoi Family Conference will be held at Johnson Bible Col-

lege near Knoxville, Tennessee, on August 3-9, 1985. Dr. Renwick Wright and Rev. Robert McFarland will be ministering the Word for the adults and youth, respectively.

All of our members are accounted for, our Travel Fund is paid in full and our Travel Agent for this meeting of Synod is Bill Roberts.

We ask Synod to pray for us as we oversee these congregations within our bounds and as we seek to be faithful servants of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully,
Robert Schmidtberger,
Clerk Ohio-Illinois Presbytery

REPORT OF THE PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

The Pacific Coast Presbytery held its annual meeting in Orange, California, on February 22-23, 1985 and a meeting in connection with the meeting of Synod at Geneva College in June, 1985.

There are seven congregations under our care. Six of these have settled pastors. The Fresno congregation is vacant, due to the resignation of Rev. Isaac Ver Hage, effective on June 1, 1985. Mr. Ver Hage has requested that his ministerial credentials be transferred to the Great Lakes Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America. The Ad Interim Commission has been charged with this responsibility.

There are two ministerial members on the roll who are not in a pastorate. Dr. Charles Chao continues his work with the Reformation Translation Fellowship, and Rev. Philip Martin, retired, is on the session of the Phoenix congregation.

In its regular program of congregational visitation, the Fresno congregation was visited during the year. For the purpose of encouragement of the Anchorage congregation, the Presbytery authorized them to invite Isaac Ver Hage and Paul Martin for special meetings.

No summer conference was held in 1984. The 1985 summer family conference is planned for the Oak Glen Christian Conference Center near Yucaipa, California, on July 15-20.

Paul Martin is our representative on the Board of Home Mission and Surrendra Gangadean is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,
James D. Carson, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

The Pittsburgh Presbytery reports that we have 13 congregations under our care. We thank the Lord that all of these are served by settled pastors except the Geneva and Rimersburg Congregations. Timothy Russell has accepted a call to the Geneva congregation and is expected to begin his work there on August 1st. The Mars Mission Station was dissolved on October 13, 1984. The New Castle Congregation was dissolved on January 5, 1985. A highlight of the year was the organizing of

the New Covenant Reformed Fellowship at State College on November 30, 1984. Duncan Lowe, the organizing Pastor, was installed as the pastor on May 5, 1985. Randall Van Osdol accepted a call by the Presbytery's Church Extension Commission to begin a tent-making ministry in the Washington D.C., area. He is now employed in the area and there is a Bible Study Group meeting each Sabbath evening in the Van Osdol home with preaching once a month. In reviewing our statistical report we take note of the 33 baptisms and the professions of faith. We are grateful that 9 of our congregations showed an increase for the past year. We are not satisfied, but we are encouraged.

In addition to the 12 pastors (Covenant Fellowship has an associate pastor) we have 20 active ministers on our roll. Of these, four are associated with Geneva College; four are associated with the R.P. Seminary; one is a missionary in Japan; eight are retired; one is without a call and two are inactive.

We have four theological students under our care. Gerald Dodds is a first year Seminary student. Timothy McCracken expects to enter the Seminary this fall. Gerald Bowyer is continuing his preparation for the Seminary. Daniel Kiehl, having completed one year, is not currently enrolled in the Seminary. Clifford Glovier is a licentiate under care and is seeking a pastorate. Byron Curtis united with the PCA and was certified to that church as a Licentiate.

Since the last meeting of the Synod we have had 2 regular meetings. The Ad Interim Commission met on April 16, 1985 to install A. Wayne Duffield as the Pastor of the New Alexandria Congregation. The Church Extension Commission met on May 5, 1985 to install Duncan Lowe as the Pastor of the New Covenant Reformed Fellowship.

Because of the national conference at Carleton last summer, there was no local conference. Several Presbytery-wide youth activities were sponsored by the Y.P. Secretary. A family conference is planned for June 29 thru July 6 at Camp Lambec on Lake Erie. An outdoor worship service for all the congregations of the Presbytery is planned for late August.

The officers of the Presbytery are listed with our roster. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk, our Travel Fund is paid and all our members are accounted for.

Because of the expanded geographical area we are now serving, we would respectfully request that the Synod approve the Presbytery's decision to change our name to the Mid-Atlantic Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert R. Fullerton, Clerk

REPORT OF THE ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

The St. Lawrence Presbytery held its annual meetings on October 2, 1984 in Rochester, New York and on March 13, 1985 in Syracuse, New

York. We also met on November 16, 1984 to ordain and install Mark Charlton as the associate pastor of the Almonte congregation for ministry to the Lochiel congregation and in the Delkeith, Ontario area, and on March 12, 1985 to organize the Endwell Fellowship into a congregation and install John McMillan as pastor.

We have nine congregations, seven of which have teaching elders. In October Paul Faris resigned his charge in Lisbon after 13 years of faithful service. Paul Copeland continues as Stated Supply in Rochester. Ken McBurney is exchanging pulpits with Blair McFarland, pastor of the Loughbrickland and Clare congregations of the Southern Presbytery, Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland, from April through August 1985. The Lisbon congregation is seeking a pastor; the Ottawa congregation is seeking an associate pastor to minister to a new fellowship of a number of families who have come to faith over the last year and a half in Perth, Ontario. Presbytery hopes to make this fellowship a new congregation soon. In March Presbytery made a recent outreach by the Syracuse congregation to six families in Canastota, New York a preaching station.

There are twelve teaching elders (four without pastoral charges) and nineteen ruling elders on the roll. Don Millar, Jim Hughes and Ian Speirs, all at Ottawa Theological Hall, are under Presbytery's care. Douglas Chamberlain graduated from the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in May. He was licensed on March 13 and has accepted the call to the Ridgfield Park congregation to be their pastor. St. Lawrence Presbytery continued to oversee Ottawa Theological Hall, to sponsor its family conference in Lisbon, New York, and the White Lake Camp (Summer 1984).

At the June, 1985, meeting, Presbytery accepted the resignation of Mark Charleton as Associate Pastor at Almonte for the work in Lohiel as of June 1, 1985.

All of our members are accounted for. The Travel Fund is paid. Officers of the Presbytery are listed in the roster. The statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
Carter R. Rowe

The Report of the Board of Home Missions was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 3 and 4 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board reports that it has met twice since the last meeting of Synod. Its officers have been: President, Ronald Good; Vice President, Dean Smith; Secretary, Walter "Kit" Swartz; Treasurer, Louis Hutmire.

The Board is pleased to report that the Lord Jesus continues to build His church in new places. The Board receives and grants requests for financial aid through the presbyteries, who oversee the establishment and progress of new works. Works that are or soon will be receiving aid are: Ohio-Illinois Presbytery: Columbus; Midwest Presbytery: Colorado Springs; New York Presbytery: White Lake; Pacific Coast Presbytery: Anchorage; Pittsburgh Presbytery: State College (New Covenant Fellowship); St. Lawrence Presbytery: Canastota (N.Y.), Endwell, Lochiel, Oswego, Ottawa, Perth (Ontario), Rochester. The work at Manhattan, Kansas was closed in 1984.

The Board continues to provide scholarships for Evangelism Explosion Seminars. Our 1985 budget designated one thousand dollars for this fund and much of it has been used. The conditions of aid are 50% of the cost or \$200 per person (for a maximum of two people from each congregation) whichever is less. Two thousand dollars are set aside in our 1986 budget.

The New Works Resources Committee is assembling a completely new and improved edition of the **Church Extension Notebook**. This notebook includes historical sketches and helpful observations from the new works. It will be available soon from the committee chairman, Robert McFarland. We hope to supplement this notebook on a regular basis. Dr. Donald MacNair, Churches Vitalized, Inc. Consultative Services, based on the book **The Living Church** was recommended to the presbyteries as a valuable tool.

The Board also aids presbyteries in caring for pastors who have been released from their pastoral responsibilities. We adopted a series of policies and procedures to help us work most equitably with the various circumstances involved in these situations.

This spring, we met at the Lawrence congregation in order to become better acquainted with the places and people of the new works. We hope to visit other presbyteries and new works.

We keep our brethren informed of church extension through bulletin inserts, prayer items in the **Covenanter Witness**, and a slide program.

Cooperative efforts of the Board this year included a Cross Cultural Seminar at Geneva College with the Foreign Mission Board with a missions emphasis presentation to Beaver Falls area churches and the Geneva College student body. Board President Ronald Good participated in a NAPARC meeting of Home Mission Agencies and represented us at the NAE's Houston '85 Convocation on Reaching Ethnic America.

Recommendations:

1. That the following be elected to the Board for the class of 1988: Ron Good, Iowa Presbytery; Walter "Kit" Swartz (St. Lawrence Presbytery) and Mrs. Libby Maine, at large for Synodical.
2. That the Board be granted \$38,880 from the Reformed Presbyterian

Missions and Ministries Program.

3. That the HMB arrange a pre-synodic conference on church extension and evangelism preceding the 1986 Synod.
4. That the Synod approve the NAPARC "Golden Rule Comity Agreement" in principle and suggest possible revisions to the HMB. The Agreement is as follows:

Comity has meant different things to different people. We representatives of the home missions agencies and committees or boards of our denominations resist territorial statements on comity in light of the social and cultural complexity of North American society and the great spiritual need of our many countrymen who are apart from Jesus Christ. Out of a concern to build the Church of Jesus Christ rather than our own denominations and to avoid the appearance of competition, we affirm the following courteous code of behavior to guide our church planting ministries in North America:

- a. We will be sensitive to the presence of existing churches and missions ministries of other NAPARC churches and we will refrain from enlisting members of these existing ministries.
- b. We will communicate with the equivalent or appropriate agency (denominational missions committee or board, presbytery missions or church extension committee, or session) before initiating church planting activities in a community where NAPARC churches or missions ministries exist.
- c. We will provide information on at least an annual basis describing progress in our ministries and future plans.
- d. We will encourage our regional home missions leadership to develop good working relationships.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter "Kit" Swartz, Secretary

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was debated, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

"All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed." Revelation 15:4

God has revealed to us the way that His name is to be honored among all the nations. In appointing a Board of Foreign Missions, you have given us the responsibility of not only directing overseas work but also of keeping a challenge before our denomination in order that we might all be faithful in fulfilling our part of the Great Commission.

Adjustments and changes in the world continually challenge us to make adjustments and changes in the type of mission program which we

carry out. Foreign missions or cross-cultural work in any nation is never static. It seems always to be changing. New proposals and formulations of work seem often to be coming before the Board for evaluation. Especially with the last few years many people have written with various proposals regarding mission work, and these always need to be carefully considered. This is one reason why the Board has a standing committee entitled "Spiritual Survey". It is a research and evaluation committee, especially to help the Board in matters of mission philosophy and direction. The Board, via this committee's work, recently attempted a new formulation of its essential priorities, in order to help in weighing the various proposals that are coming before it.

Some examples can be cited. The Synod is aware of the Board's involvement with the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship's STIM program (Summer Training in Missions). Two young people have served for a summer in Japan, and a third is on the field now. Is the short summer term long enough to benefit the student, and to benefit the field? 161 STIM workers are on the field this summer but over 30,000 will be serving short terms this year with various boards and in many countries of the world. 90% of new long term missionaries come from such short term workers. There is the additional question: Can we cooperate in a program that requires them to "Raise Your Own Support?"

An appeal has come from a young Reformed Presbyterian who desires to establish a Reformed work and possibly a bookstore in his native country. Another desires to work with Muslims in a self-support program and in cooperation with another board. Through their sessions we are giving some support to two workers under other boards for specialized work. Are these programs ones which we ought to be involved with? If so, how should this work be given oversight? Should we plan for teams to minister?

In Japan, Mr. Youn is now being given a measure of financial support through the Japan Commission, as a result of requests for help from the Commission. Mr. Youn is a Korean desiring to work primarily with Koreans living in Japan. He will work within our denomination under the direction of the Japan Commission beginning in July. It has seemed to the Board that this is the kind of crosscultural work in Japan which we hope will be developed in the cities of America through our presbyteries and congregations. It is a new field among unreached people in Kobe. It is a work which will be blessed with the fellowship of other congregations close by.

The proposal of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church for a Study and Retreat Center on the Island of Cyprus is of interest to us. But we are asking whether any involvement of our denomination in the direction proposed can help the development of a church. Does the strengthening of the church in countries closed to formal mission work in the Middle East justify our being involved?

A closely-related study touches financing. How can the present work funded by the denomination be continued and yet new mission projects be undertaken? What about cross-cultural work in the cities of America? What are we talking about when we speak of new fields? In talking to representatives from other boards about new fields, we find that the basic development is such work as the plan to work among Koreans in Kobe. Unreached people groups are ministered to alongside other mission work. Cities of the world present a challenge with the multitude of language, ethnic and class groups facing teams which enter. A team which enters such a work would require about \$75,000 per year at a minimum. What new areas of support can we tap in order to begin such a work?

There is the matter of manpower. We basically are using ordained people in our mission programs. However, there are numerous members qualified in specialized areas of service who are desiring to be used in overseas ministry. How do we fit these people into plans for mission work? Can we ignore them and let them go to other groups for their ministry? The challenge of being world Christians is before the Christian Church today and being a world Christian means that we think beyond the environs of our local work and the opportunities which God is presenting to us.

The Dan Copelands returned from Cyprus where Dan gave leadership in the Academy in Larnica. They desire to serve overseas. How are they to be used of the Lord? They have asked our counsel.

We not only request your prayers in these matters but also your input in such a way that the work of Christ through our denomination may continue to fulfill the command which Christ has given to us.

We are thankful for the Japan Commission's oversight of the work of outreach in Kita-Suzurandi and Mukonoso as well as the three congregations. The Sterretts and Delores Cook continue their work in the Kita-Suzurandi area. Orlena Lynn and Charles Leach will begin their furloughs in July. After five years Orlena would ordinarily have a year's furlough. She will need to return in September because of the employment situation in the Book Store. Charles will be in the U.S. at least nine months and possibly extending his furlough to a year for study purposes. We are thankful for the health of Gene Spear and for the plans which are being made for their return to Japan the first week of July. Pray for Gene and Ruth as they will return to Japan without any of their family. This will demand adjustments on their part.

Marcia Elliott and Beth Carlson serve under other boards and under the supervision of their sessions. They are receiving some financial support from the Board. We appreciate the way sessions are working with the Board in not only evaluating mission candidates from their congregations but in giving oversight in consultation with the Board. We hope that this will continue to develop.

Charles Chao carries a heavy load under the RTF and we are grateful

for the strength which he has had during his years of service.

The Robert McCrackens received an extension to their visa which permits them to stay in Australia until January 1, 1986. At present their plans are to return to the U.S. permanently after that time. They are very uncertain as to whether they would meet the criteria for immigration. The Presbytery is concerned that we not lose interest in Australia. If not the McCrackens, they would desire another similar worker who could continue to assist them in church planting as well as helping them in their development. Pray for the Lord's guidance in this ministry.

Two young men volunteered to teach in Cyprus last summer. We are thankful for the Bible teaching of Tony Iwaniuk and Kelly Moore during the past year. They will continue for another year in Larnaca. Kathy Hildebrand and David Carson are teaching in Nicosia. While there is no official relationship we ask for your prayers for these teachers.

The new Japanese Psalter was completed and a special service was held in March praising God for the guidance given in the careful preparation. This larger Psalter will permit them to use more Psalms in their praise.

We are thankful for the response to the Prayer Phone which was started in February. We hope that it will be used by many in keeping informed on mission news and interests.

May the Lord grant us wisdom in knowing how to proceed during the coming year as we seek ways to advance His kingdom around the world.

Recommendations:

1. That since the terms of Jonathan Watt, Max Mann and William Weir expire, their positions be filled by nominations submitted to the Nominating Committee.
2. That the Japan Commission be made up of all teaching elders and one ruling elder from each congregation.
3. That this Board be granted \$90,000 from the R.P. Missions and Ministry Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Henning, Executive Secretary

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Samuel E. Boyle.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1985; 8:30 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment at Alexander Hall, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania on June 18, 1985 at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was constituted in prayer by Edward Hindman.

The Roll was called.

The Court was led in devotions by Mark Charlton. Paul Finley read God's Word from Luke 12:13-34, preached on the theme, "The Lordship of Christ of Our Possessions" and led in prayer.

The Minutes were read, amended and approved

The following papers were presented to the Court:

85-3 concerning certain actions of the PCA in light of the Golden Rule Comity agreement was referred to the Committee on Inter-church Correspondence and Study.

85-4 concerning the addition of three non-RP members to the Board of Trustee of the Seminary is to be discussed in connection with the Report of the Board of the Seminary.

85-5 concerning the developement of a new psaltar was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Nominating committee.

85-6 concerning the relation of armed service chaplain to the ministry of the church was referred to a Committee to be appointed by the Moderator.

85-7 concerning a change in the DIRECTORY FOR WORSHIP was referred to the Committee to Rewrite the Book of Church Government.

The Report of the Committee to Rewrite the Book of Church Government was taken up. Chapter one was amended by the Committee and debated. The Chapter was adopted by more than a two-thirds majority vote. Chapter two was taken up, amended and referred back to the Committee. Chapter three was taken up for debate and referred back to the Committee.

The preliminary Report of the Committee on Finance was distributed and received.

The Report of the Committee to Review Vow #8 was taken up. Corrections were made in the Report. Item 1 was amended. Debate was cut off. The item was adopted by standing count of 76 to 23.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Paul Copeland.

JUNE 18, 1985; 1:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by Ed Robson.

The Roll was circulated.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee to Study the Relationship of the Sacraments to the Visible Church was taken up. Item 1 was debated and adopted. Item 2 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE SACRAMENTS TO THE VISIBLE CHURCH

This Committee was established in 1978 to answer regarding the propriety of a Reformed Presbyterian session baptizing the infant of non-Reformed Presbyterian parents, using the baptismal formula of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Having completed the majority of this assignment in 1982, the Committee was then asked to consider the validity of Roman Catholic baptism in answer to a paper submitted by two

members of the Court. (See appendix to this report for a history of Synod's prior actions.)

The difficulties before us will not be easily resolved to everyone's satisfaction as is evidenced by the fact that committees or presbyteries of some of our sister churches have recently arrived at three different conclusions. Briefly, their reasoning runs as follows:

1) A 1980 paper adopted by the Southern California Presbytery of the OPC states that an individual baptized in infancy as a Roman Catholic should not be baptized when joining their churches. It concludes that "his baptism was with water, in the name of the Triune God, with the intention of doing what Christ commanded, and was, therefore, a valid baptism." They reason that while there may be **impropriety** in the administration of the sacrament, its **validity** is not thereby impaired.

2) A 1981 report adopted by the Reformed Presbyterian Church Evangelical Synod leaves the decision to the individual session, counseling a "flexible response in certain situations," accepting a baptism coming from a "Christian tradition where the Trinity is understood and Jesus Christ accepted, as the one who came in the flesh and where He is designated as Savior . . ." But they allowed baptism on entry into the RPES when the person's conscience was uncertain about the validity of his previous baptism.

3) A 1983 PCA committee paper recommends that "the General Assembly indicate that the baptism of those churches that have so degenerated from the gospel of Christ as to be no church of Christ (compare **Westminster Confession of Faith XXV:5** e.g. Unitarian, Mormon, Roman Catholic) is not to be regarded as valid Christian baptism," and that converts be baptized. "The Romish communion is not a true church and therefore, its sacraments cannot be true and valid sacraments."

These and other documents available to our Committee have made variant references to the historical practices of the Presbyterian Churches. American Presbyterians have generally not admitted the validity of the Roman Catholic baptism, nor have the British Presbyterians; however, Continental Reformed Churches and their American descendants have. There have been two opposing traditions and therefore, we lack a single precedent to follow. It is little wonder that the RPCNA has been discussing this matter since a 1966 paper from the St. Lawrence Presbytery was submitted asking for a re-study of the issue.

While we do not believe we can answer all the questions touching on this subject with conclusive Scriptural arguments, the following points are fundamental:

a) "another gospel" (Gal.1:6-9) is bound up officially in the Roman Catholic system and has not been repudiated even in post-Vatican II documents. For example, tradition and the infallibility of the pope speaking **ex cathedra** is chosen over against the teaching of **sola scriptura** (Isa. 8:20; Rev. 22:18); other mediators between God and man are

honored in addition to Christ (I Tim. 2:5); repetition of the sacrifice of Christ in the mass is claimed instead of recognition of the once-for-all nature of Christ's sacrifice (Heb. 9:12; 10:12,14); there is confusion of the doctrine of sanctification and justification and their relationship to faith and works (Eph. 1:11; 2:8-9); and they stand in opposition to a Christian's assurance of faith, whereas we hold that it is the Christian's privilege and duty to attain this confidence (Rom. 8:1-2; John 20:31).

b) We, therefore, have serious question as to whether the Roman Catholic communion is a branch of the Church of Christ.

Whereas the previous steps should be agreeable to all who have studied the topic, there are two more steps by which we arrive at our conclusion:

a) We believe the validity of baptism is connected with the doctrinal context in which it is performed (as well as with the formula and procedure used), since the sacraments find their meaning in the context. If no gospel is preached, but only a distortion of it, then the sacraments performed therein cannot manifest their true meaning.

We believe that the integral connection between a true and valid Christian baptism and a context of sound teaching and discipline is set forth plainly in Matthew 28:19 and 20, the best-known and the most central of all Scriptural passages on the subject of baptism: "Go, therefore, **make disciples** of all the nations **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you** . . ." Separated from this context the meaning and validity of such resultant "baptism" becomes problematic. Paul, addressing even relatively non-doctrinal personality-conflicts that prevailed in the Corinthian church, felt constrained to help restore the truth by "demoting" baptism in favor of the pre-eminence of the Gospel (I Cor. 1:10-17). How then are we to think of "baptisms" which have taken place in a context of both life and grace and toward those who espouse it? Does this way of putting the issue deal unfairly with Roman Catholicism? Or have the post-Vatican II changes in Roman Catholicism been of such a degree and character as to make this line of reasoning no longer relevant? These are key questions before us.

b) Baptism should be a **SURE** testimony to living faith and sound doctrine in the context of the church. When the sacrament has been performed on an individual in a context which does violence to the proper meaning on both these points, we believe that God would be honored and the testimony of the true church strengthened by the church baptizing the individual in the clear and proper sense of the sacrament.

Therefore, in regard to the baptism of Roman Catholic converts, we choose to take a conservative course, admitting the uncertainties of our earthly vantage point. If we have erred, we have decided to err in the scriptural direction of Romans 14:23 ("whatsoever is not of faith is sin") — so as to protect the conscience and faith of the individual. Therefore,

we believe those seeking entrance to the Reformed Presbyterian Church, having only Roman Catholic baptism, should be baptized. We are deciding on reasonable, Scriptural and pastoral grounds. Our understanding is imperfect but a decision is necessary at this point, rather than a non-decision.

Recommendations:

1. That we uphold the present practice of requiring baptism of Roman Catholic converts seeking entrance in the R.P.C.N.A.
2. That this Committee be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
 Ronald V. Good, Chairman
 J. Renwick Wright
 Jonathan Watt
 Philip Pockras
 William Russell
 Duncan Lowe

The Committee on Verbal Revision of the Westminster Confession of Faith was dismissed.

The following special resolution was adopted: That all present members of the R.P. Church in good standing continue in good standing whatever their baptismal status.

Dr. Benjamin Davis representative of World Relief addressed the Court.

The Report of the Japan Commission was read, received and is as follows:

THE REPORT OF THE JAPAN COMMISSION

The Japan Commission respectfully reports that since the last meeting of Synod, the Commission has consisted of six ministers: Leach, Masunaga, Miwa, Sterrett and Takiura; and three elders: Kojima, Nitta and Shinoda. Mr. Spear is on furlough.

The Commission held its regular meeting every other month. We had a special meeting on December 10 to discuss Rev. Youn, a Korean missionary to Japan who wants to join our church. All pastors enjoyed the bi-monthly pastors' meeting.

a) Activities:

The bi-monthly periodical, "The Prayer Wheel", has been faithfully continued mainly by the effort of elder Nitta. the Commission employed Rev. Youn, a Korean pastor studying at the Kobe Reformed Seminary, during the Summer of 1984. Miss Cindy Stauffacher of the Colorado Springs congregation visited us and helped our summer evangelism programs. Her humble and hard work were very much appreciated. The Commission supervised two conferences; one for the Youth in August at Ayabe, Kyoto, and another as a churches' conference on September 24 at

the Reformed Seminary. The Commission also supervised the Christmas Psalm Sing, featuring "Jesus Christ in the Psalms." The new Psalter was distributed at the meeting with great joy. We sent our fraternal delegates to the Synod of the Reformed Church of Japan. The Monthly Youth Prayer Meeting has been continued under the leadership of Pastor Leach.

b) New Japanese Psalter:

We rejoiced to see the New Japanese Psalter was finally published. The Committee consisting of three Japanese pastors, Mrs. Harada and Mrs. Ruth Spear, started the work in October, 1979. The new Psalter has 138 tunes, including 43 new tunes. The Committee also carefully revised the old Psalter using the Hebrew text. A fund was negotiated between the Bookroom and the Commission. A dedication service for the new Psalters was held on March 21, 1985 at the Higashi Suma church.

c) A Korean Missionary desires to join us:

Rev. Samuel Youn, a Korean missionary to Japan, who worked for our summer evangelism program expressed his desire to join our church. the Commission has consulted with the Foreign Mission Board and issued the guarantee letter for his three more years stay in Japan. The Commission asked him for two papers—one on Psalmody and one on the history and principles of the Scottish Reformation. His papers were examined and approved by the examining committee. The official interview is planned to be on July 8, 1985. The FMB helped greatly with his salary. This help was much appreciated. The Commission decided to locate his activity in the Kasuganomichi area of Kobe where many Korean people live, and rented an apartment for his family there. The new work will be the Korean, Japanese and American joint venture of evangelism to Japanese-Korean people of the area. The first step of activity will be taken in September, 1985.

d) Congregations and Mission Stations

There are three congregations and two mission stations under our care.

Higashisuma has continued to be blessed by conversions and baptisms. Kasumigaoka rejoiced to have a new elder, Mr. Kato, a high school teacher. Okamoto-Keiyaku also has a new elder, Mr. Enomoto, a businessman. Now we have more that one elder in each of the three congregations. Mukonosu MS has been pastored by Mr. Leach this year. Some adherents are considering seriously their baptism. Kitasuzu MS also had serious adherents. Please pray for their true conversion and serious commitment to Christ.

There are local-home meetings at our members' houses. Dr. Sakai's clinic may soon be a new mission station. Mr. Muto in Ishibe has a weekly children's Bible class. Mr Kobayashi in Kyoto has a monthly evening worship time. Each of these meetings have new adherents. There were VBS's at Mr. Maetani's home in Ono City in summer and winter.

e) Finances

The assessments from each congregation is \$25 per resident communi-

cant member in 1985. Expenditure includes aid for the Mission Stations' activity, a part of Mr. Youn's salary, meeting expenses and benevolence causes. We drew much money from our General Activity Fund for the Publication of the new Psalter and for Mr. Youn's apartment. Kitasuzu MS has started to pay back the money to our building-aid fund. As to the property, three Japanese congregations have their own buildings.

The officers of the Commission are: Moderator, Toshio Masunaga; Clerk, Shigeru Takiura; Treasurer, Yoshio Nitta; Auditor, Toshio Shinoda. The Minutes of the sessions were examined and found to be in order. The statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
Shigeru
Takiura, Clerk

The Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was taken up. The Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was received. The Report of the Board of Corporators was adopted. The Reports of the Corporators and the Trustees are as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE

We are truly thankful to the Lord for His care and direction to Geneva College this past year. We are especially grateful for the excellent leadership of Dr. McFarland in this first year as President of the College.

The Board of Corporators held its regular meeting on June 15, 1985. A special meeting was held on September 14, 1984 to elect Dr. Helsing to the Board of Trustees. His name was mistakenly omitted on the ballot at the regular meeting.

Dr. McFarland was present at our regular meeting and discussed the work being done on revisions of the Charter and By-Laws, as well as other issues related to the College.

The following persons were elected to the Board of Trustees -class of 1988:

Nominated by the Board of Trustees - Lumley F. Wilson
Nominated by the Alumni Association - Wayne S. Luce
Robert Brandt

Representatives of the Reformed Presbyterian Church - Roy Blackwood, James D. Carson, Joyce Lynn, Donald McBurney, J. Paul McCracken, Bruce C. Stewart, John H. Tweed.

The following persons were elected to the Board of Corporators - class of 1988:

Nominated by the Corporators - Robert Baumgartner, Douglas Carson, Wayne Duffield, William Weir.

The following were elected as officers of the Board of Corporators:

President: Wayne Spear

Vice President: Martin Wilsey

Secretary: Robert Baumgartner

Treasurer: Douglas Carson

The Board of Corporators acknowledges the outstanding service of Dr. Merrill Robb on the Board of Trustees. His thirty-five years as a trustee, twenty-eight as its President, are deserving of the honor granted by the Board of Trustee Emeritus.

The next annual meeting of the Board of Corporators will be held in conjunction with the 1986 Synod.

Recommendations:

1. That Dr. K.G. Smith be heard on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.
2. That Dr. Joseph McFarland be heard on behalf of the Geneva College Administration.
3. That John H. Tweed be elected to the Board of Corporators.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Baumgartner, Secretary

Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College

As we begin this annual report we again express thanks to God for His continued blessing and guidance as we have sought to carry out the responsibilities which have come to us as Trustees of Geneva College.

We are pleased to report that Dr. Joseph McFarland assumed the presidency of Geneva College on July 1, 1984, and inauguration ceremonies were held on October 25, 1984. A committee chaired by Dr. Merrill Robb had planned the day's activities and delegates from 58 institutions of higher learning participated in the ceremony.

The college community has seemed to respond well to Dr. McFarland's leadership. His announced goal is to see Geneva College recognized among the Ivy League of the Liberal Arts Christian Colleges of the nation. Significant physical plant improvements have been made which have improved the overall appearance of the campus. A Community Advisory Council which meets on campus quarterly has been formed.

Board officers for 1984-85 have been Kenneth G. Smith, President; Bruce C. Stewart, Vice President; Jean L. Hemphill, secretary; Walter Helsing, Treasurer. Meetings of the Board were held on October 26, 1984; February 1, 1985 and May 24, 1985. A new meeting format had been inaugurated which enables the standing committees of the Board to meet at a specific time during the regular Board meeting.

In the first semester 1076 students were enrolled in day school and 138 in evening school; the totals for the second semester were 1029 in day school and 136 in evening school. 291 students were graduated at the 1985 Commencement exercises; 287 received bachelor's degrees and 4

received associate degrees.

Trustee scholarship recipients were Rodger Brandt, Pamela Lyttle, Barbara Spear and Thomas Stein, Jr. At the request of the Religious Affairs Committee a statement of "Parameters and Guidelines for Guest Lecture and Artist Series" was prepared by the Administration and adopted by the Board.

Efforts are being made to strengthen the CUTS program through a greater interchange of faculty and a strengthening of the administrative ties.

Four of the second semester Chapels were identified as special worship services and all faculty, staff and administration were encouraged to participate in these "All College Worship Services." Guest speakers were Dr. Anthony Campolo, Dr. Richard Ganz, Dr. William Leslie and Dr. John H. White.

Geneva College was the recipient of a \$25,000 award from the Consolidated Natural Gas Corporation for the innovative application and shared usage of computer facilities with surrounding school districts. In response to this award an "Ivy League" Incentive Program for the purpose of encouraging academic excellence has been established. This fund will be administered by the President of the College for the express purpose of encouraging innovative academic projects proposed by faculty and college administrative personnel which would prove to be not otherwise feasible.

The Board concurred in the selection of Dr. James Boelkins of the University of North Dakota to fill the position of Academic Vice-President. It is expected he will assume his duties about August 1, 1985.

A proposed revision of the Charter and By-Laws is now being reviewed by the Board of Trustees; both of which may require considerably more review before being adopted.

At the May 24, 1985 meeting approval was given to the Administration's proposed renovation of the Old Main Chapel into a first-class auditorium with a seating capacity of approximately 450. The renovation is to begin this summer and it is hoped significant improvements will be completed by the Fall of 1985.

Two men who have contributed much to Geneva College will be retiring at the end of the 1984-85 term. Dr. William Russell has been Dean of the College since 1963 and Dr. Roy Adams, Chairman of the Department of Chemistry, has been a member of the college faculty since 1946. The Board is especially thankful for the dedicated service these men have rendered at Geneva College.

The Board wishes to acknowledge the faithful service of Dr. J. Merrill Robb who has been a member of the Board since 1950, and was President of the Board from 1953 to 1981. Dr. Robb has requested that he not be re-elected to the Board.

The 1984-85 budget shows Total General Revenues of \$10,138,350

and total General Fund Expenditures of \$10,137,889. A 7% decrease in enrollment has necessitated the elimination of contingency funds in the budget and expenditures have been decreased as much as possible but there has been no reduction in programs. The budget calls for unrestricted gift income of \$299,000. This is the third successive year the total gift income has exceeded one million dollars.

Tuition for the 1985-86 school term has been set at \$4,770 and Room and Board at \$2480.

The values of the college property and endowment fund are:

	1984 (Audit of 5/3¼3)	1985 (Audit of 5/3¼4)
Land	\$ 1,528,726	\$ 1,528,726
Buildings	33,456,637	35,104,135
Equipment and Furnishings	4,138,707	4,252,697
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	\$39,124,070	\$40,885,558
Market Value of Endowment	\$ 6,622,727	\$ 6,271,962

Size of Campus (112.208 acres) (112.208 acres)

The 1985 Commencement exercises were held in Metheny Fieldhouse on Saturday, May 11, at which time Dr. Ted Taylor, President of Kressge Foundation, was the speaker. The Baccalaureate service was held on Friday evening, May 10 when Dr. Willard G. McMillan, Chairman of the Department of Biblical Studies brought the message.

At the 1985 Commencement exercises the following honorary degrees were conferred:

Rev. Gene W.Spear, missionary of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Japan, was granted the honorary degree Doctor of Divinity.

Mr. Robert P. Dugan, Jr., Director of the Office of Public Affairs of the National Association of Evangelicals, was granted the honorary degree Doctor of Humane Letters.

The terms of the following trustees expire this year and their successors should be chosen:

Representing the church: Roy Blackwood, Jr., James D. Carson, Donald McBurney, Delyte Morris, J. Merrill Robb, Dean R. Smith, Bruce C. Stewart

Representing the Alumni: Wayne S. Luce

Trustee Nominated: Lumley F. Wilson

A vacancy exists in the "Trustee Nominated" category in the class of 1985.

Dr. Kenneth G. Smith has been appointed to represent the College before Synod's Committee on Finance, and the request to Synod is for \$30,000 and half of the income from the Cecil MacLaughlin Trust.

We would respectfully request that Dr. Joseph McFarland be granted

the opportunity to address the Synod on behalf of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth G. Smith, President
Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary

The Report of the Committee on Realignment of Presbyteries was taken up. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REALIGNMENT OF PRESBYTERIES

This Committee was formed to deal with a paper from Iowa Presbytery which was presented to Synod in 1983 (Paper 83-7). Iowa Presbytery was seeking the possible realignment of itself with those congregations in other presbyteries which were geographically close to the Iowa congregations. The purpose behind this paper was a desire to increase the size of Iowa Presbytery.

Your Committee has communicated with congregations which would be affected by this proposed realignment. The conclusion which the Committee members reached was that there should be no realignment of the boundaries of any of the presbyteries at this time.

Recommendation:

1. That there be no realignment of presbyteries.
2. That the Committee be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Baumgartner
Charles Cooper
William Pihl
Samuel B. Sterrett
Randall Van Osdol, Chairman

The Report of the Graduate Study Fund Committee was taken up. The recommendations were referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE GRADUATE STUDY FUND COMMITTEE

Your Committee has had two requests for funds during this past year from teaching elders who are engaged in graduate study which they see as a help to them in developing their ministry in the church. The conditions for such aid are set forth in the 1977 Minutes of Synod, pp. 71, 72.

Jonathan Watt is completing his second year of graduate study in Linguistics at the University of Pittsburgh this spring, and will have finished his course work for the M.A. degree at that time. He hopes to complete his thesis and his comprehensive exams this summer. He will apply for the Ph.D. program in September. His concern is for pastoral ministry; but he also desires to prepare himself to teach Biblical languages at the Seminary level at some time in the future. He is requesting

\$950 for 1986 which is about one-third of the total cost of his degree program next year.

Paul Martin is completing the D. Min. program at Westminster Seminary-West during 1986. His project is Teaching Pastors to Preach to People in the Marketplace - from the Letters of Paul. He is requesting \$500 towards the cost of this program of Study.

Your Committee has examined each of these applications and would recommend that the proposed programs be supported.

Therefore, it would be our recommendation to Synod that an item of \$1450 be included in the 1986 Synod's Budget so that in the year of 1986 forgivable loans of \$950 and \$500 may be granted, respectively, to Jonathan Watt and Paul Martin for their programs of graduate study.

Your Committee would make one other recommendation: Edward Robson has presented a request for \$400 to help to fund his presentation of a paper at a conference on the Computer and the Humanities at Grinnell, Iowa, June 22-24, 1985. While this request is somewhat outside the scope of policy regarding the use of graduate study funds, it is in the area of significant research in the Gospels refuting widely accepted theses of critical scholars regarding the so-called "Q source" of the synoptic gospels. Inasmuch as the total cost of the conference is \$1,000, we recommend that his request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph McFarland
Bruce C. Stewart, Chm.

The Report of the Committee on Cross Cultural Ministries was taken up. Items 1-5 were adopted.

After the singing of Psalm 107 D the Court was recessed in prayer by Roy Blackwood.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1985; 7:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by Robert Schmidtburger.

The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.

The Report of the Temperance Committee was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We ask you to give thanks to the God of our Lord Jesus Christ for the improvement this past year in the educational awareness for the need of temperance. We have seen our country and the Church waking up to the ravages that uncontrolled intemperance has brought. The Church, public officials and the medical profession are alarmed by the abortion and the homosexual problems. Community police departments and hospitals are promoting programs to help stop the wide spread chemical dependency on alcohol and drugs. Thus Christians and non-Christians alike are seeing the need for demanding responsibility from those spilling their immoral

life-styles and/or poison for profit businesses into the life stream of our nation.

The social problems of our day cover a wide panorama of evils against which God warns us in His Word. Paul's inspired writings to the Corinthian and Galatian Churches reveal these warnings:

"What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; just as God said, 'I will dwell in them and walk among them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore, come out from their midst and be separate, says the Lord. And do not touch what is unclean; and I will welcome you. And I will be a Father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty.' Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." II Corinthians 6:16-7:1

"Do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God." I Corinthians 6:9,10

John's inspired pen "heard" the Lord speak this further warning:

"He who overcomes shall inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son. But for the cowardly and the unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." Revelation 21:7,8

Your Committee rejoiced in the opportunity to give out temperance literature at the national conference and to start our year on a high note. Many Carleton Conference families received educational material on the social problems of the day. We also produced three newsletters this past year which gave some insights into temperance activities in different areas of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Included in the scope of literature and newsletters were the subject of drugs, alcohol, gambling (including state lotteries), moral conduct, etc. It is the goal of the Committee to awaken the social conscience of all Christians, and Covenanters in particular, so that we will all join in the fight against the social evils of today. We commend those persons and congregations that are leading the battle already against the abortion-on-demand evil, the pornography evil, the Lord's Day breaking evil in addition to those named above. We commend the **Covenanter Witness** and the **Christian Statesman**, the National Prohibition and Temperance Council and its president, Dr. Kermit Edgar, of our own Synod. Pray, Pray, Pray.

Temperance Committee:
R. Paul Wright, M.D.

Eileen Filbert
Lester Kilpatrick, D.D.
Glenn McFarland

The Report of the Parliamentarians on Paper 85-1 was taken up. The request of the Paper was granted. The Paper is as follows:

The Ohio-Illinois Presbytery respectfully petitions the 1985 Synod of the R.P.C.N.A. to authorize the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery to ordain Mr. Harry Metzger *sine titulo* for rebuilding the work in Chicago. The Presbytery seeks this authorization for the following reasons:

1. There is no organized congregation in Chicago.
2. We have been seeking to revive the Chicago work for the past 5-7 years and feel now is the time to place a full-time man in Chicago to give himself to this effort. We have funds earmarked for Chicago that will finance the work. There are seed families who are willing to do the work of ministry in Chicago.
3. The Presbytery feels since Mr. Metzger will be working with already ordained officers he too should be ordained.
4. The Presbytery feels Mr. Metzger will need the authority that ordination as a teaching elder brings.

The following special resolution was adopted:

Resolved that the Synod send a telegram to the President of the United States informing him of our prayer for wisdom on his behalf in this time of crisis, for the safety of the hostages, and comfort for their families.

The Moderator appointed David Coon to carry out the action called for in the above resolution.

The Pittsburgh Presbytery brought in the following resolution which was adopted:

That the Synod approve the action of the Pittsburgh Presbytery in changing its name to the Presbytery of the Alleghenies.

The Committee which was to look into the change of the name of the Pittsburgh Presbytery was dismissed.

The Report of the Reformation Translation Fellowship was read. Charles Chao addressed the Court on behalf of the Fellowship. The Report was received and appears in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Report of the Woman's Association was taken up. Mrs. Sandra Johns gave a verbal report for the Association. The Administrator of the Home gave a verbal report. These Reports were received. Reports that were printed in the Digest of Reports of Synod are printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The following special resolution was adopted:

That the Moderator write a letter of thanks to the Reformed Presbyterian Home for the delicious meal and warm hospitality which the residents, administration and staff provided for the members of the Synod

who visited there this afternoon.

The reports and greetings of fraternal delegates were presented. Pastor Garrett Veenstra, who was introduced by Donald McCrory, brought greetings from the Christian Reformed Church. Charles Sterrett reported on his visit to the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church. Jonathan Leach, our delegate to the General Assembly of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, introduced the fraternal delegate from that Assembly, Pastor Steven Miller, who brought greetings. Mr. Leach reported on his visit to the Assembly. Jack White introduced the delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America, Pastor Paul Doriani, who brought greetings. Jerry Milroy introduced the fraternal delegate from the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, Norman Hoesflinger, who brought greetings from that body. Robert Schmidtburger introduced his brother-in-law, Blair McFarland, who brought greetings from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Jerry O'Neill.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1985; 8:30 A.M.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in Alexander Hall, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by Raymond McCracken.

The Court was led in devotions by Blair McFarland, Pastor from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland. After the singing of Psalm 47 A and prayer Thomas Price read God's Word from Ephesians 4:1-16 and preached on the theme "The Lordship of Christ Over Our Gifts."

A questionnaire on marriage was distributed by the Committee on Paper 85-2 to be returned to the Committee this morning.

The Minutes were read, amended and approved. Synod's Offering of \$419 was received.

The following special resolution concerning the matter of baptism of Catholics was adopted:

1. **Because** the report acknowledges the uncertainty and liability to error in this decision;
2. **Because**, while raising very serious questions about the validity of Roman Catholic baptism, the report does not definitely declare that it is invalid;
3. **Because** there is a long-standing disagreement on this matter among Reformed churches; **Therefore**, Synod declares that its decision is for the general guidance of our sessions, and is not to be regarded as the inviolable rule of the church.

The Report of the Committee to Revise the Book of Church Government was taken up. Chapters 3-9 were debated and

referred back to the Committee. Proposed changes in the TESTIMONY were taken up. Chapter 25 was debated and returned to the Committee. Chapter 26 was debated and adopted by a more than two-thirds vote. Chapter 28 was debated and referred back to the Committee. It was noted that the Introduction to the DIRECTORY FOR CHURCH GOVERNMENT had been adopted by a more than two-thirds vote by the Synod of 1983.

The Report of the National Reform Association was taken up.

The following greeting to Mrs. Velma Dougherty was adopted and forwarded to her by Thomas Price, the pastor of the congregation of which she is a part: Greetings in the name of Our Lord to a sister beloved in the Lord, a true mother in Israel. We take note of the fact that today you are observing your 80th birthday with a special celebration. We pray that God will bless this special day and give you many more days in service to God's people.

The Court was recessed in prayer by Robert McFarland.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1985; 7:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 147 B the Court was reconvened in prayer by Louis Hutmire.

The Roll was noted.

The Court celebrated the 175th anniversary of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary with a program tracing the history of the seminary. The program was moderated by Bruce C. Stewart, President of the Seminary. Robert Copeland, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, gave a historical sketch of the development and history of the Seminary.

In thanksgiving to God for His gracious providence to the denomination in the provision and maintaining of the Seminary through the years, the Court sang Psalm 92 B.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary was taken up. It was presented by Robert Copeland. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2 and 3 were referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 4 and 7 were adopted. In keeping with item 7 Bruce Stewart, President of the Seminary, addressed the Court.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Philip W. Martin.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1985; 8:30 A.M.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in Alexander Hall, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, at 8:30 a.m.

The Roll was noted.

William Blackwood led the Court in devotions. After the singing of Psalm 148, prayer, and the singing of Psalm 139 and reading from Philippians 3, Ronald Good preached on the theme "Christ's Lordship Over Our Body." Orville Shoop led in prayer.

The Minutes of both the Wednesday morning and evening sessions were read and approved.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary was taken up. Item 5 was adopted. Item 6 was debated. Paper 85-4 asked the Court to open for discussion Article IV, Section 1 (2) of the Seminary Constitution in connection with this debate. This article calls for the election of three non-R.P.'s to the Board. Item 6 was referred back to the Board. The following motion of instruction for the Board in regard to the debate connected with item 6 was adopted: That the Synod ask the Seminary Board to bring into this Synod a revision of the Constitution of the Seminary restoring membership on the Board to 12 R.P. members taking into account the option of a President's Council. This motion was carried by more than a two-thirds vote. Following prayer by Paul Faris, the Court proceeded to the election of Dr. William Russell as Professor of Church History.

The Report of the Board of Education and Publication was taken up. Items 1 & 2 were adopted. In keeping with item 1 Donald McCrory and Robert McFarland addressed the Court. Item 3 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 4 was referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION

During the past year the Board met in October and March for about 15 hours at each session. The Second R.P. Church of Indianapolis played host to the group at both meetings and their provision was much appreciated. At the fall meeting Isaac VerHage and Norman Carson were re-elected president and vice-president, respectively, and Willard McMillan was elected secretary.

Two directors continue to serve under the oversight of the Board: Donald McCrory, as Director of Publications, and Robert McFarland, as Director of Educational Services and Youth Ministries. Both have been faithful and effective in their service.

At the fall meeting a committee on long-range planning was appointed to recommend to the Board objectives for a five-year period and means for achieving them. This committee, under the chairmanship of Isaac VerHage, reported at the spring meeting. Objectives include making the **Psalms** available in various forms to the public, maintaining the **Covenantaner Witness** as a publication of the highest quality with each issue being at least 24 pages, the publishing of **Understanding Biblical Doctrine** and our confessional standards in a form suitable as useful study guides. Objectives for curriculum materials call for making available to the denomination a Sabbath School curriculum for youth either by producing our own or recommending for use one already being published.

The Long Range Planning Committee also recommended that all materials produced should be of the finest workmanship. Various actions were taken by the Board to implement the objectives.

PUBLICATIONS

There will be no increase in the subscription rates for the **Covenanter Witness** in 1985. **Psalms for Children**, a project on which Robert McFarland did the spade work, has been turned over to Donald McCrory for publication. The move of the Publications office into the third floor of the Seminary building, with storage space on the first floor, has proved beneficial and a study is being made of options for meeting future facility needs. In order to increase and improve publications the revolving fund is being increased.

EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Robert McFarland has been appointed coordinator for North America's planning to attend the international conference in Northern Ireland in August of 1986 and information concerning that has been sent to our congregations. The church has also been informed of the youth ministries: **TEACH, MANPOWER and YOUTH IN THE NEWS**, being promoted by Mr. McFarland.

At the fall meeting a committee was appointed to develop a "grid" which would set forth goals and objectives for sample Bible lessons for the various age levels. The committee reported at the spring meeting and the "grid" developed will help the Board in evaluating curriculum needs and prospects. Mr. McFarland is organizing a committee to work with him in surveying available curricula to help the Board determine to what degree it will be necessary to produce our own. A place more suitable than Carleton College is being sought for the 1988 denominational conference.

Recommendations

1. That Donald J. McCrory be re-appointed as Director of Publications for a three-year period beginning January 1, 1986.
2. That Mr. McCrory and Mr. McFarland be permitted to address the Synod, each one for five minutes.
3. That the Nominating Committee accept the following suggestions for consideration as Board Members: Rich Johnston, Wendell McBurney, Willard McMillan, Russ Pulliam, Carter Rowe, Kenneth Smith and Kathy Stegall, with the added recommendation that the incumbents, McBurney and McMillan, be re-elected for continuity (Isaac VerHage of the '85 class is not available for re-election) .
4. That Synod approve the Board's proposed budget for 1986.

The Seminary Board announced the election of Dr. William Russell as Professor of Church History.

The Report of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and

Study was taken up. Greetings from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia and from the Korean American Presbyterian Church were read. Paul Copeland reported on his visit to the Synod of the Free Church of Scotland, Synod of North American. Robert Copeland reported on his visit to the General Synod of The Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. James D. Carson reported on his visit to the Convention of the National Association of Evangelicals.

The Nominating Committee held final nominations and introductions in preparation for this afternoon's election. Nominations were closed.

The Court was recessed in prayer by David Long.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1985; 1:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by R. Paul Wright.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Following prayer by Garland Kincaid the Court proceeded to the elections under the supervision of the Nominating Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was taken up. Items 1-12 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

1. That the Unallocated Denominational Office Expense revised budget for 1985 of \$95,565 and the proposed budget for 1986 of \$88,465 be approved. Note that the 1986 figure includes the 1986 salary of Louis Hutmire of \$27,825 (1985 salary of \$26,500 plus 5%).
2. That the Trustees of Synod Audit Report for 1984 be accepted and included in the **Minutes**.
3. That the 1984 Treasurer's Report be accepted.
4. That the following 1986 salaries as recommended by the E & P Board be approved:

Donald McCrory	1985 \$22,075 + 5%	\$23,180	1986
Robert McFarland	1985 \$24,390 + 5%	\$25,610	1986

5. That the Travel Fund assessment for 1986 be set at \$8.00 per communicant member which is the same as was approved for 1985.
6. That the request of the Graduate Study Fund in the amount of \$1,450 be paid from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
7. That Ed Robson be given \$400 from the 1985 Miscellaneous Fund to help defray the costs of presenting a paper to the International Conference on Data Bases in the Humanities and Social Sciences during June, 1985.
8. That Synod set the amount of the uniform contribution rate at \$400 for each participant in Pension Plan "B" for 1986.
9. That Synod set the congregational assessment of communicant members for the Pension Board at \$10 for the calender year 1986

- based on the communicant membership as of December 31, 1985.
10. In the light of the request from Geneva College and Synod's Board of Trustees, we recommend that Geneva College receive 50% of the MacLaughlin Trust income up to \$50,000 per year, unless there are extenuating circumstances which would dictate otherwise. It is understood that Synod's Board of Trustees will implement this policy with respect to timing and frequency of payments.
 11. That \$16,795 of the 1985 Undesignated Funds distributed to the Seminary in 1985, for the purpose of overhauling the heating system and establishing a rare books room.
 12. That \$430,000 be raised in 1986 with \$330,000 to come from contributions to the Reformed Presbyterian Missions & Ministries program and \$100,000 to come from the 1985 Undesignated Fund account. The \$430,000 is to be distributed as follows

	GRANTED			
	RPM & M Requested	RPM & M Contributed	RPM & M Undes Fds	Total
Educ. & Public.	\$113,815	\$ 84,500	\$ 25,500	\$110,000
Foreign Missions	90,000	66,800	20,200	87,000
Geneva College	30,000	15,300	4,700	20,000
Home Missions	38,880	26,800	8,200	35,000
Pension Trustees	49,100	36,000	11,000	47,000
Seminary	87,650	65,300	19,700	85,000
Woman's Assn.	30,000	23,000	7,000	30,000
Misc. Fund	16,500	12,300	3,700	16,000
	<u>\$455,945</u>	<u>\$330,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$430,000</u>

Any funds raised in excess of \$330,000 through the RPM & M will be distributed to the participating agencies in proportion to the total amount granted to each agency.

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THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD AUDIT REPORT

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the Synod of the
Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

We have examined the financial statements and supplemental schedules of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees") as of December 31, 1984 and 1983 and for the years then ended, listed in the accompanying index. Our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

As described in Note 6 to the financial statements, pension benefits incurred under Pension Plan "A" have been charged to expense when paid. In our opinion, generally accepted accounting principles require that amounts charged to pension expense be determined using an acceptable actuarial cost method. Use of actuarially determined costs would have resulted in an increase in pension liability and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately \$526,000 at December 31, 1984.

In our opinion, except for the effects of not accounting for pension costs in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as discussed in the preceding paragraph, the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Trustees at December 31, 1984 and 1983 and the results of their operations and the changes in their fund balances for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

Our examinations were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules listed in the accompanying index are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effect on the supplemental schedule of support and revenue, expenses, and changes in fund balances of the designated fund and on the supplemental balance sheet of the designated fund of not accounting for pension expense in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as explained in the second preceding paragraph, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Deloitte Haskins & Sells

DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS

April 26, 1985

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ASSETS	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS --		RESTRICTED	PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	ENDOWMENT	ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	CUSTODIAN	TOTAL FUNDS
		UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED						
Cash		\$ (81,221)	\$115,465	\$ (41,708)				\$ 51,519	\$ 44,055
Accounts and notes receivable		5,119	23,408	10,723				1,292	40,562
Contributions receivable	1		73,920						73,920
Accrued investment income receivable			39,036	120					59,780
Prepaid pension expense	6		43,907				\$ 10,043	10,581	43,907
Deferred student aid receivable	1								
(Net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$18,000)									
Inventories	1		91,945						91,945
Investments	1,2		42,825						42,825
Building loans receivable	3	109,437	339,304	88,765		\$2,144,781	694,481	882,306	4,259,074
Property and equipment - net	1,4		358,298		\$91,055			91,055	398,298
Other assets			23,103	1,716					91,055
TOTAL		\$ 33,335	\$1,151,211	\$ 59,616	\$91,055	\$2,144,781	\$704,524	\$945,698	\$5,130,220
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES									
Accounts payable and accrued expenses			\$101,978						\$ 104,313
Due to Pension Plan "B"	6		8,529				\$ 2,335		8,529
Deferred pension credit	6		38,567						38,567
Payable to denomination-related organizations	1,5							\$945,698	1,025,846
Total liabilities			149,074				80,148	945,698	1,177,255
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5			\$ 59,616			622,104		681,657
Fund balances:									
Unrestricted:									
Designated		\$ 33,335	1,002,137		\$91,055				1,093,192
Undesignated									33,335
Restricted		33,335	1,002,137			\$2,144,781			2,144,781
Total fund balances		33,335	1,002,137		91,055	2,144,781			3,271,308
TOTAL		\$ 33,335	\$1,151,211	\$ 59,616	\$91,055	\$2,144,781	\$704,524	\$945,698	\$5,130,220

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1983

ASSETS	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS		TOTAL FUNDS
	UNDESIGNATED	RESTRICTED		ENDOWMENT	ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	
Cash (including passbook savings accounts of \$1,887 and certifi- cate of deposit of \$12,500)	\$ (24,081)	\$ (10,977)			\$ 11,532	\$ 38,596
Accounts and notes receivable	17,187	10,723			57,198	85,108
Contributions receivable	39,654					39,654
Accrued investment income receivable	28,144				8,227	43,299
Deferred student aid receivable	120,910					110,910
Investories	50,587					50,587
Investments	316,665	49,793		\$1,907,628	625,327	3,663,483
Building loans receivable	64,765					304,943
Property and equipment - net	304,943		\$87,090			87,090
Other assets	29,061					29,061
TOTAL	\$ 40,684	\$ 49,539	\$87,090	\$1,907,628	\$632,255	\$4,452,731
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 78,809				\$ 2,246	\$ 81,055
Payable to denomination-related organizations					70,681	846,963
Total liabilities	78,809				72,927	928,018
Deferred restricted amounts		\$ 49,539			559,328	608,867
Fund balances:						
Unrestricted:						
Designated	880,444		\$87,090			967,534
Undesignated						40,684
Restricted						1,907,628
Total fund balances	880,444		87,090	\$1,907,628		2,915,846
TOTAL	\$ 40,684	\$ 49,539	\$87,090	\$1,907,628	\$632,255	\$4,452,731

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES,
CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1984

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	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
		UNDESIGNATED	RESTRICTED	DESIGNATED			
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:							
Contributions to Synod's budget				\$307,632			\$ 307,632
Other contributions				60,343			60,343
Bequests		\$150,009		9,459			159,468
Investment income		78,150	\$ 7,465	201,431			287,046
Sales of publications, etc.				40,045			40,045
Tuition, fees and assessments				132,944			132,944
Net gain on investment transactions			858	38,851			39,709
Rental income				29,391			29,391
Other income				156,089			156,529
Total		228,159	8,763	976,185			1,213,107
EXPENSES:							
Home mission				75,000			75,000
Theological seminary				276,763	\$ 11,580		288,323
Foreign mission				211,783			211,783
Education and publication				144,470	1,097		145,567
Pensions				185,296			185,296
Grants		33,000					33,000
Miscellaneous				100,233			106,236
General office and administration		75,142			670		75,812
Total		108,142		993,525	13,347		1,121,017
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.							
CAPITAL ADDITIONS - Net gain on investment transactions		120,017	2,760	(17,340)	(13,347)		92,090
AMORTIZATION OF OVERFUNDING OF PENSION PLAN "g"	6			21,219		\$ 237,153	237,153
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:							21,219
From undesignated for designated activities		(126,253)		126,253			
From unrestricted for equipment acquisitions		(1,113)		(16,199)	17,312		
From restricted to unrestricted designated	5		(2,760)	2,760			
From custodian funds	5			5,000			5,000
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		40,684	NIL	880,444	87,090	1,907,628	2,915,846
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR		\$ 33,335	NIL	\$1,002,137	\$ 91,055	\$2,144,781	\$3,271,308

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES,
CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1983

NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
	UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED			
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:						
Contributions to Synod's budget		\$290,800				\$ 290,800
Other contributions		39,443				39,443
Bequests	\$ 67,678	3,251				70,929
Investment income	70,030	162,831	\$ 7,561			240,422
Sales of publications, etc.		63,741				63,741
Tuition, fees and assessments		113,452				113,452
Net gain on investment transactions		54,597	1,989			55,685
Rental income		28,060				28,060
Other income	5,273	100,189	2,481			107,943
Total	142,981	836,364	11,130			990,475
EXPENSES:						
Home mission		64,488				64,488
Theological seminary		236,651		\$ 9,620		246,271
Foreign mission		192,287				192,287
Education and publication		133,273		921		134,194
Pensions		187,452				187,452
Grants	31,000					31,000
Miscellaneous		100,078	11,130			111,208
General office and administration	65,215			\$26		65,241
Total	96,215	914,229	11,130	11,067		1,032,641
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.	46,766	(77,865)		(11,067)		(42,166)
CAPITAL ADDITIONS - Net gain on investment transactions					\$ 300,694	300,694
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:						
From undesignated for designated activities	(70,033)	70,033				
From unrestricted for equipment acquisitions	(283)	(4,329)		4,612		13,707
From restricted to unrestricted designated		13,707				
From annuity and life income - deferred to undesignated	3,800					5,000
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	59,234	878,898	NIL	93,545	1,606,934	2,638,611
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$ 40,684	\$880,444	NIL	\$ 87,090	\$1,907,628	\$2,915,846

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General - The financial statements of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees"), a non-profit corporation organized in Pennsylvania, have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Basis of Presentation - The Synod is the highest court in the denomination known as the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The Trustees hold title to property and are responsible to the Synod for managing and reporting on the financial condition of the denomination. The financial activities are accomplished through various boards and committees of the Synod. Congregations and domestic and foreign missions are sanctioned by the Synod through such boards and seven regional Presbyteries. The accompanying financial statements include the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of the Trustees and of various boards and committees.

Although sanctioned by the Synod, domestic congregations and missions and foreign mission fields of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America do not have financial accountability to the Trustees. Accordingly, the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of such organizations are not included in the accompanying financial statements, although the Trustees hold title to certain assets of active and inactive domestic missions and congregations and in foreign mission fields. Periodically, certain of these assets, to which the Trustees hold title, are sold. Proceeds from the sale of such assets are recorded at the time of disposition. Further, funds disbursed in support of domestic and foreign mission fields are charged to expense in the accompanying financial statements.

Funds - The accounts of the Trustees are classified for accounting purposes into funds, established according to their nature and purpose. These accounts (or individual funds) have been grouped in the accompanying financial statements in accordance with certain characteristics as explained below.

- . Expendable funds - operating, consisting of the following:
 - .. Undesignated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which are available, at the discretion of the Synod, for support of any operations, functions or other matters.

- .. Designated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which have been designated by the Synod, through the establishment of various boards, for investment and revenue support of a particular purpose or program. Revenues earned from investment of such funds also are designated for use.
- .. Restricted funds which have been designated by donors, grantors or other outside parties for support of particular purposes.
- . Property and equipment fund, representing the total carrying value of real estate, buildings, library, fixtures and equipment, substantially all of which are designated by the Synod for use as a Theological Seminary.
- . Nonexpendable funds, consisting of the following:
 - .. Endowment funds (including term endowments) that are subject to restrictions of gift instruments or of other means of conveyance requiring in perpetuity, or until the occurrence of some remote event, that the principal be invested and only the income used.
 - .. Annuity and life income funds that are subject to agreements whereby assets are made available to the Trustees on the condition that the Trustees be bound to pay to the donor or other designated person or organization a stipulated amount or the income earned on fund assets for a period of time specified in the agreements. The balances in such funds are reported as deferred restricted amounts and any excesses of income over required disbursements are generally reported as unrestricted income. Under the terms of certain agreements, denomination-related organizations have directed the Trustees to reinvest income earned on fund assets to which they are otherwise entitled to receive. The total amount of such income reinvested is reported as payable to denomination-related organizations.
 - .. Custodian funds that represent funds received by the Trustees from congregations, Presbyteries and other denomination-related organizations which are invested solely for the benefit of and are returnable upon request to such sources. Such funds are reported as payable to denomination-related organizations.

Expendable Operating Restricted Resources - Operating funds which have been restricted by the donor, grantor or other outside party for particular operating purposes are deemed to be earned and reported as revenues of expendable operating restricted funds to the extent the Trustees have incurred expenditures in compliance with the specific restrictions. Amounts received but not yet earned are reported as deferred restricted amounts.

Property and Equipment - Land, buildings and improvements, and furniture, fixtures and equipment are carried at cost or estimated fair value at date of gift. Proceeds from sale of fixed assets are transferred to expendable operating unrestricted funds. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets on a straight-line basis.

Investments - Investments are recorded at the lower of cost (or fair market value at date of gift) or market. Net realized gain or loss on disposition of investments is the difference between the proceeds received and the average cost of investments sold.

Substantially all investments are pooled and allocation of income (ordinarily income and gains and losses upon sale or other disposition of investments) to the various funds is accomplished using the market value unit method. Substantially all ordinary income from investments of endowment funds is restricted for support of particular purposes. These purposes are usually broad enough to be encompassed within one of the designated boards of the Synod.

Other Matters - Inventories (principally religious publications) are carried at the lower of average cost or market.

Contributions received during early January from congregations and individuals are recorded as receivables when such amounts relate to the prior year's budget. Such contributions are recorded as expendable operating funds, unrestricted.

Advances made to eligible seminary students for payment of tuition, summer training fees and living expenses (deferred student aid receivable) are recorded as a deferred charge and are amortized to expense, usually over a period of five years from the date that the graduate seminarian begins service for the Synod. Only if the student or graduate does not provide service to the Synod must actual repayment be made. An allowance for uncollectable student aid has been established for potentially uncollectible amounts.

2. INVESTMENTS

The market values of investments by fund group are as follows at December 31, 1984 and 1983:

Fund Group	Market Values - December 31	
	1984	1983
Expendable funds - operating:		
Unrestricted - undesignated	\$ 155,931	\$ 101,016
Unrestricted - designated	483,458	494,260
Restricted	126,477	77,723
Nonexpendable funds:		
Endowment	3,017,119	2,912,357
Annuity and life income	989,530	976,090
Custodian	1,257,153	1,091,595
Total	<u>\$6,029,668</u>	<u>\$5,653,041</u>

Investments at December 31, 1984 and 1983 are composed of the following:

	1984		1983	
	Carrying Value	Market Value	Carrying Value	Market Value
U.S. Government obligations	\$ 60,445	\$ 56,525	\$ 108,953	\$ 104,141
U. S. Government agency securities	664,143	664,898	366,165	364,588
Paine Webber Cashfund	387,112	387,112	255,350	255,350
Corporate common stocks	1,618,918	3,502,772	1,605,070	3,733,371
Corporate bonds	1,012,281	843,759	812,281	620,001
Corporate preferred stocks	103,450	118,193	82,758	99,000
General mortgages receivable	218,409	218,409	238,590	238,590
Investment in real estate	194,316	238,000	194,316	238,000
Total	<u>\$4,259,074</u>	<u>\$6,029,668</u>	<u>\$3,663,483</u>	<u>\$5,653,041</u>

General mortgages receivable are due over periods from one to twenty years and bear annual interest ranging from 5% to 15%. The aggregate annual amounts of maturities of general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1984 are as follows:

1985	\$ 26,830
1986	18,241
1987	20,033
1988	8,912
1989	9,578
After 1989	134,815
Total	<u>\$218,409</u>

The general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1984 and 1983 are due from the following groups:

	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
Congregations of the denomination	\$124,957	\$131,253
Ministers of the denomination	50,761	56,852
Members of the denomination	11,383	11,731
Commercial	31,308	38,754
Total	<u>\$218,409</u>	<u>\$238,590</u>

The following summarizes the changes in relationships between carrying values and market values of investments for the years ended December 31, 1984 and 1983:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Appreciation</u>	
			<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
December 31, 1984	<u>\$4,259,074</u>	<u>\$6,029,668</u>	\$1,770,594	
December 31, 1983	<u>\$3,663,483</u>	<u>\$5,653,041</u>	1,989,558	\$1,989,558
January 1, 1983	<u>\$3,272,190</u>	<u>\$5,111,430</u>		1,839,240
(Decrease) Increase in unrealized appreciation for the year			<u>\$ (218,964)</u>	<u>\$ 150,318</u>
Realized net gain for the year			<u>\$ 434,144</u>	<u>\$ 542,247</u>

During the years ended December 31, 1984 and 1983, the average annual yield on investments excluding realized net gains (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, and net rental income earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments) was 9.2% and 9.5%, respectively, and the annual total return (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, net rental income and realized net gains earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments) was 20.1% and 25.1%, respectively.

3. BUILDING LOANS RECEIVABLE

Substantially all of the building loans receivable at December 31, 1984 and 1983 have been granted by the Building Loan Committee at interest rates ranging from 1% to 13% for the purchase or construction of residences or church buildings. Such loans are generally made to either ministers, employees of the Synod, or congregations. At December 31, 1984 and 1983 the composition of the balances receivable were due from:

	December 31	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
Congregations and denominational boards	\$226,841	\$187,700
Ministers of the denomination	63,074	72,418
Employees of the Synod	6,805	7,857
Other	61,578	36,968
Total	<u>\$358,298</u>	<u>\$304,943</u>

4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The components of property and equipment at December 31, 1984 and 1983 are as follows:

	December 31	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
Buildings and improvements	\$210,203	\$210,203
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	51,448	34,136
Total	<u>261,651</u>	<u>244,339</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	170,596	157,249
Property and equipment - net	<u>\$ 91,055</u>	<u>\$ 87,090</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 1984 and 1983 totaled \$13,347 and \$11,067, respectively.

5. CHANGES IN DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND IN PAYABLE TO DENOMINATION-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

	Expendable Funds Deferred Restricted	Annuity and Life Income Funds Payables	Deferred	Custodian Funds - Payables
Balances at January 1, 1983	\$ 65,727	\$59,554	\$490,451	\$ 695,534
Additions:				
Investment income	7,561		2,314	31,690

Net gains on investment transactions	\$ 1,088	\$11,473	\$ 76,147	\$ 98,247
Contributions				30,000
Deductions-funds expended	(11,130)	(346)	(4,584)	(79,189)
Transfer to unrestricted:				
Undesignated			(5,000)	
Designated	(13,707)			
Balances at December 31, 1983	49,539	70,681	559,328	776,282
Additions:				
Investment income	7,465	418	7,323	46,241
Net gains on investment transactions	858	9,049	60,062	88,130
Contributions	10,517			113,244
Deductions-funds expended	(6,003)		(4,672)	(73,199)
Transfer to unrestricted:				
Undesignated				
Designated	(2,760)			(5,000)
Balances at December 31, 1984	<u>\$ 59,616</u>	<u>\$80,148</u>	<u>\$622,041</u>	<u>\$ 945,698</u>

6. PENSION PLANS

There are two pension plans (Plan "A" and Plan "B") which were adopted effective January 1, 1974 and together cover all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod. Effective January 1, 1984, the provisions of Plan "B" were restated. Reasonably comprehensive actuarial reports and valuations are not available for Plan "B", accordingly, the amounts, if any, of past service cost, vested benefits, "normal" cost and accrued pension fund liability have not been determined. However, the final determination of such amounts is not expected to have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

Under Plan "A", the Trustees charge pension benefits to expense as incurred and credit investment income and net gain on investment transactions to revenue. Generally accepted accounting principles require that pension expense be determined using an acceptable actuarial cost method. Use of actuarially determined costs as of the most recent valuation (January 1, 1984) for Plan "A" would have resulted in an increase in pension liability and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately \$526,000 as of December 31, 1984. A further description of the two pension plans and the related accounting policies follows:

Plan "A" - Plan "A" is non-contributory and covers basically ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who

were age 55 and over on January 1, 1974, the date of adoption of the plan. This plan is self-administered and pension benefits, which are charged to pension expense, are substantially all paid from ordinary investment income, proceeds of sales of certain investments or funds transferred from the Pension Board. The accompanying financial statements include the following assets, fund balances and revenue and expense amounts related to Plan "A":

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	<u>Unrestricted designated</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>December 31, 1984</u>			
Cash and receivables	\$ (9,951)		\$ (9,951)
Investments, at carrying value	<u>122,107</u>	<u>\$200,134</u>	<u>322,241</u>
Total assets and fund balances	<u>\$112,156</u>	<u>\$200,134</u>	<u>\$312,290</u>
<u>December 31, 1983</u>			
Cash and receivables	\$ (1,687)		\$ (1,687)
Investments, at carrying value	<u>134,136</u>	<u>\$175,519</u>	<u>309,655</u>
Total assets and fund balances	<u>\$132,449</u>	<u>\$175,519</u>	<u>\$307,968</u>

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	<u>Unrestricted designated</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Year Ended December 31, 1984</u>			
Investment income, etc.	<u>\$ 25,050*</u>		<u>\$ 25,050</u>
Net gain on investment transactions	<u>\$ 17,751</u>	<u>\$24,613</u>	<u>\$ 42,364</u>
Pensions expense (pension benefits paid)	<u>\$103,094</u>		<u>\$103,094</u>
<u>Year Ended December 31, 1983</u>			
Investment income, etc.	<u>\$ 22,048*</u>		<u>\$ 22,048</u>
Net gain on investment transactions	<u>\$ 27,950</u>	<u>\$30,714</u>	<u>\$ 58,664</u>
Pensions expense (pension benefits paid)	<u>\$106,199</u>		<u>\$106,199</u>

* Includes \$17,555 and \$18,114 in 1984 and 1983, respectively, earned on endowment fund assets.

As of the most recent valuation (January 1, 1984), the present value of accumulated vested benefits is \$1,114,114.

\$663,000 and the market value of the net assets available for plan benefits approximated \$431,000. An 11% assumed rate of return was used in determining the present value of accumulated vested benefits. There are no non-vested accumulated benefits.

Plan "B"

Plan "B" is contributory and covers substantially all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who are not covered under Plan "A". Total pension expense for the years ended December 31, 1984 and 1983 was \$47,772 and \$39,300, respectively, which includes amortization of past service cost over an average period of approximately 25 years, and is recorded under unrestricted-designated. The Trustees' policy is to fund pension costs accrued. Plan "B" is administered and the funds are invested by the Pension Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The estimated amount of vested benefits as of December 31, 1984 is less than the amount of the net assets of Plan "B".

During 1984, an evaluation of Plan "B" was performed by the Pension Trustees and it was determined that the Plan was overfunded by approximately \$60,000. This excess was recorded as prepaid pension expense and a deferred pension credit on the balance sheet and is being amortized in relation to the annual employer contribution. The amounts classified as Due to Pension Plan "B" represent employee contributions received by the Trustees that had not been invested in the Plan at December 31, 1984 less expenditures paid during 1984 by the Trustees on behalf of Plan "B".

7. CONTINGENT ASSETS

Approximately \$409,000 of assets are held in blocked accounts in Cyprus. The assets consist of \$107,000 in cash and \$302,000 in mortgages receivable. The government of Cyprus has authorized the Trustees to remove from Cyprus, on an annual basis, 5,000 Cypriot pounds (\$7,800 at current exchange rates) plus interest earned on the assets. Because of the restrictions imposed on these assets and the uncertainty with regard to their realization, they are not recorded as assets by the Trustees until received. Approximately \$50,700 and \$65,400 were received in 1984 and 1983, respectively.

8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Trustees have co-signed a mortgage with the Westminster, Colorado congregation for the purchase of property for that congregation. The unpaid principal balance of the mortgage at December 31, 1984 is approximately \$49,500.

On January 1, 1982, the Trustees entered into a credit agreement with the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to lend up to \$750,000 to the Association over the next four years. As part of this agreement, the Trustees have deposited with a bank approximately \$88,000 of securities (with a market value at December 31, 1984 of \$804,000) as a guarantee of performance.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1984

Amount	Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
	Cash & Equivalents				
	Faine Webber CashFund			\$387,111.75	\$387,112
	U.S. Gov't. Obligations				
	U.S. Treasury Note	8.000	8/15/86	50,020.00	48,625
50,000	U.S. Treasury Bond	7.500	8/15/93	10,425.00	7,900
10,000					
	Total U.S. Gov't. Obligations			60,445.00	56,525
	Government Agency Securities				
	Federal Nat'l. Mortgage Assn.	14.250	3/11/85	99,812.50	101,000
100,000	Federal Nat'l. Mortgage Assn.	10.950	11/10/86	149,812.50	151,687
150,000	Federal Nat'l. Mortgage Assn.	11.050	2/10/87	149,156.25	151,875
150,000	Federal Home Loan Bank	14.550	4/25/85	100,687.50	101,750
100,000	Gov't. Nat'l. Mortgage Assn.	11.500	3/15/13	164,673.98	158,586
164,585					
	Total Gov't. Agency Sec.			664,142.73	664,898
	Corporate Bonds				
	American Tel. & Tel.	4.375	4/01/85	17,163.83	19,750
20,000	Minnesota Min. & Manuf.	8.200	4/01/85	25,500.00	24,937
25,000	Monsanto Company	8.000	6/15/85	25,379.03	24,875
25,000	Household Finance Corp.	8.300	1/01/86	25,593.75	24,594
100,000	Union Bank	11.500	10/24/86	100,000.00	100,000
9,000	Pacific Gas & Electric	4.500	12/01/86	6,986.00	8,100
100,000	Columbia Savings & Loan	11.850	10/24/87	100,000.00	100,000
50,000	Wisconsin Electric Power	5.000	11/15/90	36,000.00	36,500
10,000	Bethlehem Steel Corp.	5.400	1/15/92	8,400.00	5,800

Amount	Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
40,000	So. Calif. Edison	6.375	2/15/95	34,100.00	28,950
15,000	American Sugar Co.	5.300	4/02/95	15,581.11	9,750
50,000	Phila. Electric Company	4.500	5/01/94	52,812.50	27,000
50,000	Northern States Power	6.125	6/01/95	40,000.00	33,187
5,000	Monongahela Power Co.	5.500	5/01/96	5,016.94	3,000
10,000	American Tel. & Tel.	5.500	1/01/97	7,675.00	6,100
50,000	Public Serv. Colorado	5.875	7/01/97	38,500.00	30,125
25,000	Duke Power Company	7.000	1/01/99	25,176.84	16,375
10,000	Massachusetts Electric	7.625	5/01/99	9,822.01	7,100
10,000	Houston Lighting	7.500	6/01/99	10,208.55	6,850
40,000	Continental Oil Co.	7.500	7/15/99	39,000.00	28,000
10,000	Union-Edison Company	8.250	9/01/99	10,251.25	7,075
50,000	Ohio Electric Co.	8.250	10/01/99	49,000.00	35,575
50,000	Delmarva Pwr. & Lgt.	8.750	1/01/00	50,375.00	39,000
40,000	Marathon Oil Company	8.500	2/01/00	40,400.00	28,200
50,000	General Tel. Co. Fla.	8.625	3/01/00	39,892.00	30,050
50,000	Georgia Power Co.	8.625	4/01/00	48,500.00	36,500
24,000	Virginia Electric Pwr.	9.000	4/01/00	24,060.00	18,720
50,000	Carolina Pwr. & Lgt.	8.750	8/01/00	50,875.00	37,500
20,000	Hawaiian Electric Co.	9.000	10/01/00	20,800.00	14,800
25,000	Mobil Corporation	8.500	6/15/01	25,712.50	18,750
15,000	American Tel. & Tel.	7.125	12/01/03	14,587.00	9,581
5,000	Bell Telephone of Pa	6.750	5/01/08	5,040.15	2,925
25,000	New York Telephone	7.500	2/01/09	24,192.88	16,000
	Total Corp. Bonds			1,002,581.12	835,469
Convertible Bonds					
10,000	Burlington Industries	5.000	9/15/91	8,900.00	7,400
1,000	Fortac Corporation	6.000	11/01/95	1,000.00	690
	Total Conv. Bonds			9,900.00	8,090

Amount	Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
Convertible Pref. Stocks					
3,000	United Technologies, 2.55			82,757.53	97,500
700	Penna. Pwr. & Lgt., 3.75			19,687.50	19,688
30	Penna. Pwr. & Lgt., 4.50			1,005.00	1,005
	Total Conv. Pref. Stocks			103,450.03	118,193
TOTAL FIXED INCOME HOLDINGS					
	Common Stocks			2,227,430.63	2,070,487
Consumer Services					
450	Genuine Parts Company			7,500.00	14,287
460	J.C. Penney Company			13,168.00	21,332
1,600	Sears, Roebuck & Co.			53,677.11	50,800
	Total Consumer Services			74,345.11	86,419
Health Care					
5,600	Abbott Laboratories			62,669.70	233,800
2,000	Johnson & Johnson			98,957.50	72,250
1,052	Pfizer, Inc.			26,662.85	44,447
	Total Health Care			188,290.05	350,497
Consumer Non-Durable Goods					
200	Carnation Company			8,825.00	16,300
1,000	Culgate-Palmolive Co.			24,374.86	24,875
1,192	Eastman Kodak Company			4,660.72	85,675
6,240	H.J. Heinz Company			61,243.66	268,320
	Total Con. Non-Durable Goods			99,104.24	395,170

Amount	Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
	Consumer Durable Goods				
1,500	Black & Decker Manuf. Co.			33,508.50	35,250
1,000	General Motors Corporation			13,650.00	78,375
	Total Con. Durable Goods			47,158.50	113,625
	Producer Durable Goods				
4,200	General Electric Company			67,259.25	237,825
2,000	W.W. Grainger, Inc.			115,560.00	114,750
1,200	Joy Manuf. Company			3,680.00	30,300
50	Electronic Data Systems			1,943.75	2,119
	Total Prod. Durable Goods			188,443.00	384,994
	Materials				
3,000	Dow Chemical Company			106,812.88	82,500
2,000	Fluor Corporation			42,845.13	29,500
	Total Materials			149,658.01	112,000
	Energy: Fuels				
1,800	Pennzoil Company			4,725.00	80,100
504	Texaco, Incorporated			17,199.00	17,199
	Total Energy: Fuels			21,924.00	97,299
	Energy: Utilities				
1,719	Commonwealth Edison Co.			12,122.50	47,917
5,900	Kansas Power & Light			170,033.88	197,650
780	Penna. Pwr. & Lgt.			19,597.50	19,598
370	Phila. Electric Co.			5,503.75	5,504
1,000	Texas Eastern Corp.			29,500.00	29,500
3,000	Wisconsin Elect. Pwr. Co.			64,736.50	93,375
	Total Energy: Utilities			301,494.13	393,544

Amount	Security	Rate	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
Communications & Information					
10,000	Dun & Bradstreet Corp.			3,975.00	656,250
1,828	I.B.M. Corporation			111,704.69	225,072
	Total Com. & Info.			115,679.69	881,322
Communication Utilities					
2,400	American Tel. & Tel.			23,065.02	46,800
258	Equity Income Fund (AT&T)			18,511.50	18,512
1,350	G.T.E. Corporation			41,581.75	54,675
1,000	Nynex Corporation			54,313.80	74,000
1,000	U.S. West, Inc.			51,577.15	70,500
	Total Com. Utilities			189,049.22	264,487
Finance					
2,000	Calfed, Inc.			45,750.00	32,000
1,538	Fifth Third Bancorp			36,527.50	88,819
428	Mellon Bank			20,009.00	20,009
4,000	P.N.C. Financial Corp.			63,399.88	184,500
	Total Finance			165,686.38	325,328
Insurance					
2,000	Travelers Corporation			60,308.90	74,500
Multi-Industry Companies					
300	Minnesota Min. & Manuf.			17,776.45	23,587
	TOTAL COMMON STOCK			1,618,917.68	3,502,772
GRAND TOTALS					
				\$3,846,348.31	\$5,573,259

The following special resolution was adopted and referred to the Nominating Committee for implementation: That Synod appoint three parliamentarians for the 1986 meeting of Synod rather than following the current practice of relying on the three most recent moderators. The gifts of any office should be sought out as there are members of this assembly who especially demonstrate them. We request that they be sought out and appointed for a six year term.

The Report of the Committee on Travel Funds and Absences was taken up. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 4 and 5 were adopted. The Court rose in applause of thanks for the help of Miss Judy Linhart and Louis Hutmire at this meeting of Synod. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAVEL FUND AND ABSENCES

Your Committee reports that the 1985 Synod Travel Fund expenses totaled \$21,063.71. 100 delegates participated in the Travel Fund this year. This is an increase of \$195.90 and a decrease of 23 delegates from last year. The average cost per delegate this year was \$210.64, compared to the 1984 average of \$169.66; an increase of \$40.98 per delegate. However, please keep in mind that the 1984 Synod was a skeleton Synod and we only allowed 50% of the regular rate for reimbursement.

Excused absences from sessions of Synod are indicated by an "E" on Synod's attendance roster.

Recommendations:

1. That the 1986 Synod travel allowance:
 - a. be determined for those traveling by air on the basis of air coach fare plus ground transportation to and from the airport.
 - b. be determined for those who wish to drive a car on the basis of \$.20 per mile, plus tolls, unless air coach fare is less expensive, in which case the air coach fare shall be paid along with attendant costs.
 - c. an additional \$.03 per mile be paid to the driver for each additional delegate traveling in a car pool.
 - d. reimburse round-trip bus or train fare for those delegates using this mode of transportation.
2. That those who know themselves to be delegates to the 1986 Synod be strongly urged to secure the lowest possible fares.
3. That the congregational travel assessment for the 1986 Synod be set by the Finance Committee.
4. That the delegates be paid by check.
5. That Synod thank Miss Judy Linhart and Mr. Louis Hutmire for their help.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald L. Graham
Jonathan Leach

The Report of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study was taken up. William Edgar reported on his participation in the NAE study on Peace, Freedom and Security. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2-9 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERCHURCH CORRESPONDENCE AND STUDY

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

Your committee met once on February 20, 1985 at the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Pittsburgh, PA. We were unable to meet in conjunction with the NAPARC meetings in Atlanta last October. Two of our members were present to represent our denomination at the NAPARC meetings.

Some of the actions of NAPARC which will be of interest to Synod are: 1) A study committee consisting of one member from each member church is to study "procedures to be followed in cases of applications for membership by persons, including ministers, who are fugitives from the discipline of NAPARC Churches. (Your committee has appointed Bruce C. Stewart to this committee); 2) NAPARC strongly urges "member churches that when they plan a study of doctrinal or ethical matters, that they consider asking the other NAPARC churches to join them in the study, it being understood that each participating delegation would make its own recommendations to its church." (Your committee believes that there are some areas of study where this would be helpful and therefore we should be alert to opportunities to join other member churches in such studies); 3) The concurrent meeting of the Assemblies/Synods has been set for Grand Rapids in June of 1987. Each member church is to appoint two representatives to serve on the Arrangements Committee; 4) A "Golden Rule Comity Agreement" was approved to be sent to each member church. (This is being presented by our Home Mission Board); 5) a paper noting some observations on Hermeneutic principles was distributed to the member churches requesting any responses be sent to the Hermeneutic Study Committee of NAPARC. (Your Committee has copies of this paper for any who would request it); and 6) plans are under way for a joint catalogue of educational materials available from the NAPARC churches.

Fraternal delegates have been appointed to those Assemblies/Synods with whom we have fraternal relations. Delegates were also appointed to participate and/or observe such other conventions as NAE and the Consultation on Pornography. It is the opinion of the Committee that since John H. White will be in attendance as vice president of the Consultation

and M.L. McFarland could attend representing the National Reform Association, we should appoint a delegate representing the RPNA. We would recommend Jerry O'Neill, with Phil Pockras as alternate, to the National Coalition on Pornography meeting at Cincinnati, September 5 and 6, 1985.

A historic first took place this spring. The U.S. State Department sponsored an International Conference on Religious Freedom on April 15 and 16, 1985. Invitations were sent to member churches in the NAE among others. Seating was limited to 200 and included a briefing at the White House by the President. Your Committee agreed that the RPNA should be represented and asked our NAE representative to attend. Mr. O'Neill will be reporting separately concerning this meeting.

Your Committee continues to study the matter of True Biblical Unity and the nature of our relationship to other ecclesiastical bodies. We reviewed the origin of this Committee and found that it was established in 1954 in response to a committee which was reporting on "Practical Steps Toward an Implementation of Section 4 of the **Covenant of 1871**" (Minutes of Synod 1954, pages 11-14). This section of the **Covenant** commits us as a Church to a practical implementation of the Scriptural ideal of organic union of the Christian Church "... throughout the world, on the basis of truth and Scriptural order." The new Committee was originally called the Committee on Church Union. We as a church have not yet realized the ideal expressed in the Covenant of 1871 though we continue to seek to implement it as expressed in the Confession of Faith 25:4 and parallel Testimony. We are, therefore, still wrestling with the practical steps of how to express our unity with other believers.

In our discussion of this matter we believe that the following principles can be agreed upon: 1) those who are believers already have unity with one another by virtue of their union with Christ. (Only those who are heretics or unbelievers would be excluded from this kind of unity. Our question then becomes, who are the heretics?) 2) there is a Biblical mandate to express the unity of believers. (It should be evident to the world around us. The question then arises whether this unity must be organizational.) 3) the reality is we are separated by our cultural and theological differences. (Differences do not have to be divisive; however, many of these differences cause sharp division and animosity).

Your Committee believes that we as a church must recommit ourselves to demonstrating our unity with other believers. We must look for ways to express our love and cooperation with other believers while maintaining our convictions regarding the truths of Scripture. These demonstrations would be evident on several levels. At the denominational level we will continue our participation in NAPARC, NAE, and other such opportunities. On the local level we will see pastors sharing in ministerial groups, congregations joining other congregations in prayer, fellowship, combating evils and promoting righteousness in their communities. At the

personal level we should see Christian friendships, prayer and Bible study, as well as social activities developing between believers in a neighborhood. These are not final answers concerning the Biblical teaching regarding the unity of believers, but can we again declare our purpose to give expression to our oneness in Christ?

The following is a summary of the Committee expenses for the calander year 1984:

Delegate expense:

NAE	\$ 631.89
KAPC	30.00
PCA	688.23
CRC	305.55
NAPARC	498.50
Consultation on Pornography	454.72
Total	\$2608.99

Recommendations:

1. The terms of Donald J. McCrory and Jerrold S. Milroy expire at this meeting of Synod. The Committee nominates Donald J. McCrory, Jerrold S. Milroy and Donald Piper.
2. That Synod appoint Jerry O'Neill to be our representative with Phil Pockras as alternate to the National Coalition on Pornography meeting at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 5 and 6, 1985.
3. That an annual contribution of \$1,000 for the next three years be made to the National Coalition on Pornography to be taken from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
4. That Synod contribute \$100 to NAPARC this year.
5. That John H. White be authorized to see that a suitable plaque is prepared and presented to the Orthodox Presbyterian Church in recognition of their Fiftieth Anniversary.
6. That Bruce C. Stewart and Donald J. McCrory be appointed to serve on the planning committee for the concurrent NAPARC Assemblies and Synods in 1987 in Grand Rapids.
7. That the Clerk of Synod be encouraged to participated in the NAPARC consultations of clerks when they are held.
8. That the name of the Interchurch Correspondence and Study Committee be shortened to the Interchurch Committee.
9. That in response to the request of Paper 85-3 concerning the application of the NAPARC Golden Rule Comity agreement: we recommend that the Interchurch Committee address the PCA delegates about these concerns at the time of the NAPARC meeting in November.

Respectfully submitted,
 John H. White
 Randall VanOsdol
 Bruce R. Backensto

Bruce C. Stewart
Donald J. McCrory, Secretary
Jerrold S. Milroy, Chairman

The Nominating Committee held a run off election.

The Committee on Paper 85-5 having to do with Psalter revision reported.

The Court took recess in prayer by Jonathan Adams.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1985; 7:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 96 A the Court was reconvened in prayer by Charles Chao.

Jerry Kirk from the Coalition Against Pornography challenged the Court concerning the effect of pornography in our culture.

The following Special Resolution was adopted:

In recent years there has been a growing portrayal of sexual immorality and deviation in the cinema, television, radio and the print media. The lifestyle modeled for our children on mass media outlets portraying these excesses is dehumanizing and morally destructive. Such ideas and ideals promoted by mass media are in direct contradiction to the Biblical lifestyle.

Furthermore, the eight billion dollar pornography industry has grown to epidemic proportions and is invading all the segments of our society. Pastors, counselors, social agencies and law officers are seeing families broken and lives adversely affected as well as persons of both sexes victimized by this plague of pornography and obscenity. This industry, controlled largely by organized crime, is responsible for corrupting the lives of children as well as adults, and most alarming of all is the proliferation of child pornography. Thus our nation is rotting morally from within.

Aware of this insidious evil in our society and seeking to be obedient to our prophetic task as God's people, the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, therefore, declares itself as follows:

1. We are committed to Jesus Christ who calls us, as the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world," to be involved in the solution to the problem of pornography.
2. We are committed to speak out against pornography and obscenity at every opportunity.
3. We encourage the congregations of the R.P.C.N.A. to observe a Pornography Awareness Sabbath or week.
4. We urge those congregations to become involved in appropriate plans of action in their communities.
5. We commit ourselves to participate as a denomination in the National Coalition Against Pornography.
6. We call upon the President of the United States to declare publicly his support for the enforcement of obscenity laws and to order the Justice

Department to enforce the existing obscenity laws.

The following special resolution concerning abortion was adopted by the Court:

It is with sorrow that the 156th Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America notes the continuing support of the Supreme Court of the United States of America for the immoral practice of abortion.

It is sorrowful because some of the most erudite men of this nation have failed to understand the simple concept of the sanctity of the life of the unborn child.

It is sorrowful because the Supreme Court supports the immoral termination of the life of the unborn on the basis of the choice of the child's mother rather than recognizing that this choice is only a consideration before conception and not after it.

It is also sorrowful because the leaders of our government have not recognized that the nation which practices immorality will be punished as a nation. We have been punished repeatedly as a people, and yet we have not recognized Almighty God's displeasure in our 'natural' disasters and international troubles.

Finally, and perhaps the greatest sorrow of all for us, is the fact that many of the Christian churches have supported the immoral practice of abortion, and yet have at the same time named Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Such a position contradicts moral judgment and the clear teachings of the Scripture. We are like the nation of Babylon: **"they will not even have compassion on the fruit of the womb, nor will their eye pity children."** Isaiah 13:18

May this resolution strike the conscience of each member of the Congress, the members of the Supreme Court who support abortion, and those churches which dishonor Jesus Christ by such an immoral position on the life of the unborn.

Recommendations:

1. That the clerk send a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the majority leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to the members of the U. S. Supreme Court.
2. As opportunity permits, that each pastor and elder send a copy of this resolution to pastors and churches which support abortion.
3. That all the members of the 156th Synod who wish to sign this resolution be permitted to do so.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Jonathan Leach.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1985; 8:30 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment in Alexander Hall, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, on Friday, June 21, 1985, at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was constituted in prayer by E. Raymond Hemphill.

The Court was led in devotions by David Long. After the singing of Psalm 116 B and prayer he read from God's Word Mark 12:28-34. Keith Magill preached on the theme, "The Lordship of Christ Over Our Relationships."

The Minutes of Thursday afternoon and evening were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee to Rewrite the Form of Church Government was taken up. Chapter 5 was debated and referred back to the Committee. Chapter 2 was amended by the Committee, debated and adopted by more than a two-thirds majority vote. Chapter 4 was amended by the Committee, debated and adopted by more than a two-thirds vote. Chapter 6 was amended by the Committee, debated and adopted by more than a two-thirds vote.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was taken up. The results of the election were announced. Item 1 was debated. The item was laid on the table in order to entertain a substitute. The substitute was adopted. Item 2 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1. That the office of Denominational Treasurer be made exempt from the two-term limit rule for Board membership because of the denominational charter provision.
2. **Parliamentarians** Dean Smith, Chairman, Class of 1992; Jerry Milroy, Class of 1990; D. Howard Elliott, Class of 1988.
3. **Board of Corporators of Geneva College:** John H. Tweed.
4. **Board of Education and Publication:** Edward Hindman, Willard McMillan, Russ Pulliam, Wendell McBurney to fill the term of Bruce Backensto
5. **Board of Foreign Missions:** Duncan Lowe, Jonathan Watt, William Weir
6. **Board of Home Missions:** Ronald Good, Iowa Presbytery; Libby Maine, Women's Synodical Missionary Society; Walter Swartz, St. Lawrence Presbytery
7. **Board of Pension Trustees:** Joe Copeland, Paul Finley
8. **Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary:** David M. Carson, Harold Harrington
9. **Board of Trustees of Synod:** J. Donald Birdsall, Louis Hutmire, Joseph Lamont, Jr.
10. **Committee on Finance:** Robert Catloth, Class of 1988; W.K. Metcalfe, Class of 1988; Charles Wise, Class of 1987.
11. **Committee on Arrangements:** Robert LaMay, Class of 1986; Harold Milligan, Class of 1988; Jerrold Milroy, Class of 1987
12. **Interchurch Committee:** Donald McCrory, Jerrold Milroy; Thomas

- Reid, class of 86.
13. **Temperance Committee:** R. Paul Wright
 14. **Committee on Travel Fund and Absences:** David Long
 15. **Committee on Paper 85-5:** Jonathan Adams, Chairman; Robert Fullerton, Bruce Martin
 16. **Committee to Revise the Psalter:** Timothy Russell, Chairman; Roy Blackwood, Duncan Lowe, Robert Joiner, Wanda Haney
 17. **Letters of Remembrance**

To be written to:

Charles Leach
 Robert McCracken
 William Sterrett
 Kenneth McBurney
 Toshio Masunaga
 Shigeru Takiura
 Donald Weilersbacher
 G.M. Robb
 Alvin W. Smith
 Paul D. McCracken
 George W. Price
 Godfrey Franklin
 Wyley Caskey
 William Cornell
 Kermit S. Edgar
 Thomas Hutcheson
 T. Richard Hutcheson
 Raymond P. Joseph
 Glenn E. McFarland
 Nobuo Miwa
 David Peachy
 Randall Van Osdol
 S. Bruce Willson
 Daniel Kepple
 Jonathan Watt

To be written by:

David Long
 Robert Fullerton
 James Pennington
 J. Renwick Wright
 Donald Piper
 Samuel E. Boyle
 Kenneth G. Smith
 Waldo McBurney
 Waldo Mitchel
 D. Howard Elliott
 E. Clark Copeland
 Roy Blackwood, Jr.
 Robert McMillan
 Harold Harrington
 James D. Carson
 John O. Edgar
 J. Edward Hindman
 J. Donald Birdsall
 E. Raymond Hemphill
 Paul E. Faris
 D. Raymond McCracken
 John H. Tweed
 Bruce C. Stewart
 Jerry O'Neill
 Walter Swartz

The Report of the Committee on Resolution of Thanks was adopted. In keeping with the recommendation, the Synod rose to sing Psalm 105 A and was led in prayer by Fred Basil. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We give special thanks to our God and Father, Lord of all grace and mercy:

1. for bringing us here in safety and preserving us in the Spirit of unity and bonds of Christian love;

2. for the Lord's mercies to us in spite of our sins and for the guidance and power of His Spirit to empower us to advance the cause of Christ insofar as we have;
3. for the stewardship of God's people that allowed us to fully meet the R.P.M. & M. budget in 1984;
4. for the gracious reception given us by the President and Mrs. Joseph McFarland of Geneva College;
5. for the hospitality afforded us by the Reformed Presbyterian Home and for their many prayers offered on Synod's behalf;
6. for His care and guidance of the ministry and mission of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary over the past 175 years;
7. for the competent/diligent labors of Synod's officers, boards and committees.
8. for the staff of Geneva College and the Arrangements Committee to provide for our needs;
9. For the many families within our communion who, despite the attacks of the evil one, stand firm in the gospel and faithfully live and proclaim the truth and love of Christ Jesus;

For these and countless other blessings, we do heartily thank the Lord our God and Father and call on this Synod to rise in praise to our God by singing Psalm 105 A, and to pray together.

Respectfully submitted,
David L. Burke
Walter Zebrun

By special resolution the Clerk was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mr. Huggins, the director of the dining hall for his service this week.

The Report of Vow #8 was taken up. Items 2 was adopted. Item 4 was adopted. The Synod took up the supplementary Recommendations and the minority. The supplementary recommendation becomes recommendation 5 of the original report. Paul Finley was appointed as the chairman of the Committee if William Cornell was not willing to continue in that capacity. The Minority Report was taken up. The Majority and Minority reports were returned to the Committee to report to the next meeting of Synod.

The Court was recessed in prayer by Dean Smith.

Fiday, June 21, 1985; 1:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in Prayer by Jack McCready.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report of the Trustees of the Seminary was taken up. The Board distributed a new recommendation 6. It was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY

In the 175 year since the first Constitution of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary was implimented, and specified that its purpose was "to provide a succession of able men for the gospel ministry, through the medium of such a system of theological instruction as may, with the blessing of heaven, cultivate and improve the mind of pious and sensible youth . . ." Since then, the Church of Jesus Christ has been richly blessed by the graduates and faculty of this Seminary as they have brought the word of life to multitudes of hearers. By His grace, we still have the same purpose, and continue to rely entirely on Him to build and maintain the ministry of the institution.

Faculty and Staff

We are thankful for the dedication and gifts of those who serve on the faculty and staff—housekeepers and caretakers, secretary, librarians, administrators and faculty—all of whom work together as a Christian community to further the work of the Kingdom. The faculty members continue to serve the church in a variety of ways, as session members, on boards and committees, etc. B. C. Stewart has been elected to a second term as President of the Evangelical Seminary Presidents.

Visiting Lecturers in the past year have included Dr. William White (Minister's Personal Life), Rev. Richard Farmer (Speech and Diction), Rev. Robert McFarland (Christian Education), Dr. Kenneth G. Smith, and Rev. Timothy Russell. Mr. Russell has also represented the seminary in Student Development and Church Relations. Rev. Thomas Reid continues to serve as Library Consultant.

Dr. Copeland's present term as Professor of Old Testament expires on May 31, 1986, at which time he will be 70 years of age and ineligible for re-election by Synod for another term. Last year the Board appointed him to continue through May 31, 1987 as provided in the Constitution, and this year has asked him to continue through May 31, 1988.

Dr. Spear's present term as Professor of Systematic Theology will expire May 31, 1987, and he is eligible for re-election. The Board hereby notifies Synod that it will proceed to the election of the Professor of Systematic Theology at the Synod of 1986. Suggestions from members of the church for nominations are to be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees during the 1985 meeting of Synod.

The Board has been concerned for many years to have a Professor of Church History, and the ATS has strongly recommended this addition as well as an increase in the number of earned doctorates on the faculty. Providentially, Dr. William H. Russell will retire from Geneva College this summer and is available for service as a full Professor on a part-time basis. Both his academic credentials and his distinguished service to the Church render him uniquely qualified for this position. The Board

believes that this would be a significant step toward the establishment of a full-time chair in Church History.

Although normally the Board appoints part-time faculty for one-year terms, the Board believes that, since the title of Professor of Church History is involved, he should be elected for a three-year term by the Synod, and that in order to do this the normal procedures for election should be waived. This appointment will involve no increase in the total budget of the Seminary, since some other responsibilities are being combined within the administration.

Students

During this year we have ministered to a total of 131 students, of whom 75 were taking courses for credit (FTE=37) and 56 were auditors; 28 are M.Div. candidates, and 5 are Diploma candidates. A total of 14 are black students; we praise God for this growing opportunity to equip men who minister to the needs of the black urban community.

At commencement on May 17, 1985, the degree Master of Divinity was granted to W. Douglas Chamberlin (St. Lawrence), Leigh Garner DeHuff, and Harry M. Metzger (Ohio-Illinois).

Library

The library staff this year catalogued 1,636 new books, more than twice as many as in the previous year, bringing the total holdings to 26,291. The Reference and Periodicals collections have been upgraded significantly. We are now able to offer computer searching of on-line databases (BRS and Lockheed systems). Plans for the Rare Book Room are proceeding on schedule; we have secured bids and are ready to proceed if funds are available; to this end we are requesting help from the Undesignated Funds of Synod.

Accreditation

We are still in the process of seeking Associate Membership in the Association of Theological Schools. We have been seeking to deal with the recommendations which they made to us last year:

(1) faculty: the appointment of a Professor of Church History (part-time) and the addition of another Ph.D. will be accomplished with the approval of William H. Russell.

(2) library: we continue to make substantial improvements to our library, both in holdings and services.

(3) financial reports: we have arranged with Deloitte, Haskins and Sells to furnish a separate audit report for the Seminary. This will be done in conjunction with the regular audit of the church's books, but will appear as a separate document.

Computer

In order to extend computer services to the Office of Synod's Board of Trustees and the Board of Education and Publication, it was necessary to upgrade the Seminary's computer. A new North Star mainframe was

purchased (with credit for the previous computer, an additional foundation grant, and \$2,000 from the Seminary resources), and terminals are now located in the library, our main office, Mr. Hutmire's office, his secretary's office, and the E&P office. Each office maintains its own printers.

Facilities

We are experiencing significant difficulties in heating periferal parts of the building during the winter. We have had two heating engineers examine the system and make recommendations. It appears that if we act expeditiously to repair the present system, we will not have to replace the entire heating system as soon as will be necessary if we delay these repairs.

We have completed one year of a three-year trial period in which the Office of Education and Publication shares part of the Seminary building. We enjoy a cordial relationship with them, but both they and we acknowledge that the arrangement is not ideal.

Curriculum

The Seminary, like other seminaries such as Westminster, has been confronted in recent years with two questions: Can the M.Div. degree be offered to women? Should older men already in the pastorate be required to master both Greek and Hebrew? After consultation with state officials in Harrisburg, we are exploring the possibility of developing a "two-track" program: one in "Preparation for the Pastorate" (identical to the present M. Div. program), and one in "Missions and Ministry", to meet the varying demands of the student body. The faculty is planning to make a recommendation on these matters to the Board in the Fall meeting.

In addition, we have participated in the initial planning stages for the International Graduate School of Theology in Seoul, Korea. The Korean church believes that there is a need for a program which provides a more nearly complete theological education for Korea and other third-world countries. While many of the details have still to be worked out, we are excited about the potential of the IGST for reaching the Third World with the Reformed faith.

175th Anniversary

Our Committee for the 175th anniversary of the Seminary has planned a variety of activities, spaced throughout the year, to celebrate God's providence on this occasion. Pending Synod's approval, a significant fund drive will continue throughout the year, aiming to increase the endowment (and thus reduce our need for funds from RPM&M). On Wednesday evening June 19 the Synod will commemorate this anniversary, and a historical exhibit is on display throughout Synod week. Dr. J.I. Packer, noted preacher, author, and lecturer, will present guest lectures at the Seminary in October 23, 24, and 25. In April 1986 a special banquet will

celebrate the anniversary, with a major Evangelical as featured speaker. The final event of the Anniversary year will be Commencement, with President Emeritus S. Bruce Willson as the speaker. We invite and urge not only members of Synod but the entire church family and our brothers and sisters in affiliated denominations to join in all of the activities which celebrate this significant benchmark.

The Board

The Board of Trustees has had two meetings since the Synod of 1984. Officers have been: John H. Tweed, president; Edwin C. Clarke, vice-president; Robert Copeland, secretary. Each member serves on one or more of the four standing committees: Executive, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, and Long-Range Planning. Edwin C. Clarke serves as chairman of the Committee for the 175th Anniversary.

Recommendations:

1. That since the terms of Willard McMillan and Harold Harrington expire at this meeting of Synod, and Mr. McMillan is ineligible for re-election at this time, the following be nominated for the Class of 1991: Harold Harrington, Martin J. Wilsey, and David M. Carson.
2. That the Seminary be granted \$87,650 from Synod's Budget (RPM&M) for 1986.
3. That the Seminary be granted \$17,00 from the Undesignated Funds of Synod in 1985 for renovation of the heating system in the Seminary building and preparation of the Rare Book Room.
4. That the Seminary be authorized to seek a goal of \$175,000 for endowment by May 31, 1986, as a part of the 175th Anniversary celebration, and to canvass the church as a part of this drive.
5. That the Synod waive the normal procedures and elect at this meeting of Synod William H. Russell as Professor of Church History for a three-year term, July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1988.
6. That the Synod adopt the following amendment to the Seminary Constitution: Article IV, Section 1 shall be amended to read:

The Synod shall elect a Board of Trustees composed of twelve elders who are members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Not less than four nor more than six shall be ruling elders, and not less than six nor more than eight shall be teaching elders.

Of this number, two shall be chosen annually to serve a six-year term. Any member may be elected for up to two consecutive terms, but not more. After a one-year interval, he may be elected as before. Insofar as possible, each presbytery of the Church shall be represented.

(Synod is hereby notified that, to conform to this, the Board has amended By-Law No. 6 to read: **Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.**

The Board plans to create an Advisory Council by action in the

By-Laws, to be reported to the Synod of 1986.)

7. That Bruce C. Stewart be heard for ten minutes in behalf of the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert M. Copeland, Secretary

The following special resolution was adopted.

That Raymond McCracken be appointed to serve as the Church's anti-pornography chairman along with Jerry O'Neill and John White and that Funds for this come out of the Miscellaneous Fund. This Committee inform the congregations of their findings at the meetings of the Consultation on Pornography, work with our churches as to how we as a denomination can be a working unit to fight pornography and report to the 1986 meeting of Synod of their success and recommendations for our future involvement against pornography.

The Report of the Committee on Paper 85-6 was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PAPER 85-6

This Committee has been asked to bring recommendations concerning the relationship of the chaplains to the church. The questions involved in this are too great and complex to be answered for this Synod. The following recommendations are given to relieve the present stress of our chaplains. While it is true that they are members of presbyteries, they are not in any official capacity within these presbyteries.

This is only a preliminary report and we are not yet ready to comment on whether there should be a call issued.

Recommendations:

1. That all teaching elders serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of Canada or of the United States Chaplain Corp shall be considered as missionaries employed by their presbyteries and on loan to the Armed Forces of Canada or of the United States, and their presbyteries shall have oversight and require reports of their activities.
2. That the Committee make a complete report to the Synod of 1986 in order to give counsel to the presbyteries.

Sidney Van Camp
Ralph Joseph
Ronald Good
R.E. Catloth
L.D. Hutmire

The Report of the Committee on Paper 85-5 was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PAPER 85-5

The Committee constructed, distributed, collected and summarized the

enclosed poll on the need or desirability for a revision of the **Book of Psalms for Singing**. 94 responses were received, many circled more than one answer or left questions unanswered.

91 out of 98 total responses to question one indicated that the responders are very satisfied with the last edition, found it acceptable, or found it okay; overall this is a very positive response to the last edition.

112 responses to question two were received. 43 identified the major problem as "difficult to sing music", 26 identified "other" and listed a multitude of different difficulties, 16 identified "awkward phrasing of the prose" as the major problem, 10 felt there were selections with inappropriate music for the words and 8 identified "poor arrangement of the harmonies" and 9 "lack of fidelity to Scripture" as the major problem.

In responding to questions two and three, the most common complaint was concerning the poor quality of the binding (9); not enough chants (5); get rid of the chants (2); desire for less formal tunes, tunes from other cultures, folk tunes, etc. (5).

Many Psalm arrangements were identified as needing to be changed or deleted, or having the phrasing reworked. A lengthy list of these is available.

In response to question seven, 59 responders answered "no", they would not like each of the 150 psalms to have its own tune for all that particular psalm's verses. 12 responded in favor of the idea.

As to whether the current Psalm renderings are difficult to teach to children, 7 agreed strongly that it is so, 38 somewhat agreed, 23 disagreed somewhat and 7 disagreed strongly.

The central question of the survey was the last, question nine. 23 favor no revision at all; a strong majority of 63 or 74% of the responders favor some sort of revision, as follows: 43 of the responders (exactly $\frac{1}{2}$ of the total number of responders) favor a minor revision (up to 25 arrangements), 9 feel about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Psalms need to be rearranged, 6 feel a general overhaul is needed now and 2 want to "trash the whole thing and start over" and 2 want to sing only chants.

In summary, the last Psalter Revision Committee is to be congratulated for its previous work which, by this survey, enjoys a favorable following. People are, by and large, content with the current version.

It may seem inconsistent then, that a significant majority also would like some sort of revision. This is not necessarily a contradiction, for while the Synod members manifest a liking for the current edition; they also seem to be communicating that first of all it could be improved, and, accordingly and more importantly, that the Synod feels a revision is desirable now.

Recommendations:

1. Based on the results of this survey, the Survey Committee would recommend that a Psalter Revision Committee be established to consider a minor revision of the **Book of Psalms for Singing** with minor

revisions understood as encompassing the revision of approximately 25 selections with respect to selection of the musical arrangements, phrasing of the prose and greater fidelity to Scripture. A stronger binding for the newer edition of the Psalter will likewise be expected.

2. That the comments gathered by this poll be made available as a referral source for the Psalter Revision Committee.
3. That this Committee be dismissed.

Robert Fullerton
Bruce Martin
Jonathan Adams, Chairman

A letter from Bruce R. Backensto was read to the Court. Renwick Wright led the Court in prayer for Mr. Backensto. In the letter he had offered his resignation from all his responsibilities on Boards and Committees of the Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Paper 85-2 was read. The Chairman reviewed the results of the questionnaire on marriage which they distributed earlier in the week. Item 1 was amended and adopted. Items 2-6 were adopted. In fulfilment of item 5 the Court was led in prayer by James D. Carson.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY PAPER 85-2

Paper 85-2 from two members of the Court asked for two things regarding the conditions of marriage within our denomination:

1. That the general extent and seriousness of marriage difficulties within the RP Church. By questioning or surveying the members of Synod (especially the congregational representatives) the Committee should be able to put together enough of a statistical picture of what is going on so that there should be no doubt as to the actuality of the problem that exists.
2. That proposals to Synod as to how it might implement revitalization and strengthening of marriages and home-life, within the R.P. Church.

Your Committee conducted a survey of the members of Synod and secured the following information as the basis for our recommendations.

Recommendations:

1. That God's people establish their priorities in order to provide time to care for their spouses and children.
2. That elders make family issues a regular purpose of their preaching and teaching.
3. That elders equip themselves to counsel troubled spouses by prayer, studying the Scriptures, and seeking other reliable sources of information. (For example: books, tapes, family issues seminars)
4. That deacons equip themselves to provide financial counsel to God's people by prayer, studying the Scriptures, and seeking other reliable sources of information. (For example: books, seminars)

5. That Synod rise and plead with the Lord for protection over and blessing upon our marriages and families.
6. That this Committee be dismissed

James M. Wright
Steve McMahan
Walter Swartz
James Hughes
E. Raymond Hemphill, Chairman

The Report of the National Reform Association was taken up. M.L. McFarland spoke on behalf of the Association. The Report was received and appear in the Appendix to the Minutes. The Report of the Committee on Cross-Cultural Ministries was taken up. The Report as a whole was amended, adopted, and is as follows:

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CROSS CULTURAL MINISTRIES

The purpose of Synod's Committee is essentially two-fold: 1) to set before this denomination the immense challenge of working to evangelize North America; specifically the need for reaching ethnic North America with the gospel. 2) to submit to the church practical means for helping to meet this specific challenge.

North America is perhaps the greatest mission field of the 20th century. Our nations continue to be a constantly changing network of ethnic patterns. For years church have been growing and multiplying particularly among Anglo Americans and Black Americans. But not so among most of the ethnic groups, some of which have been here for generations, such as Hispanics and Navajos and Cajun French, and some which are more recent, such as Koreans and Iranians and Kanjobal Indians. The greatest challenge for evangelism in the U.S. today is reaching ethnics for Christ.

This fact offers the church a new and exciting challenge to fulfill the Great Commission. It certainly lays down a challenge to the Reformed Presbyterian Church. What should Reformed Presbyterians be doing to meet this challenge?

I. Meeting the Ethnic Challenge

When we consider the immensity of the task our efforts must be both practical and realistic. We must recognize that at present we have neither the programming nor the personnel to attempt many of the types of ministries being utilized by other denominations among ethnics in North America. Nevertheless, this is no excuse to prematurely retire this specific ministry from our evangelistic vision.

We believe, however, that the R.P.C.N.A. must encourage and continue ethnic ministry efforts already being implemented by members and

congregations. Our efforts towards meeting the gospel needs of the ethnics should come from local congregations and from programs developed on a presbytery level

Two such programs within reach of many congregations would be: 1) a concentrated ministry to international students in North America. 2) the resettlement programs established for refugees entering this country.

II. Adoption of Goals

In seeking to develop long range goals for ethnic ministry, a continuing three-stage program should be adopted. We urge the Synod to consider the Planning Goals suggested by Dr. C. Peter Wagner, Vice-Chairman of Houston '85:

Denominational Goals:

1. Decide to plant churches.
2. Decide to make a high percentage of these (20%-40%) ethnic churches.
3. Allocate the necessary funding.
4. Recruit, train, deploy necessary personnel.

Local Church Goals:

1. Look at ethnics in your area as a spiritual harvest field.
2. Decide to reap in love.
3. Determine whether they need a separate congregation.
4. Provide necessary resources: facilities, finances, personnel without being paternalistic.

Personal Challenge Goals:

1. Celebrate ethnicity in North America.
2. Reach out to other groups in love. Pray against prejudice.
3. Publicize successful programs of ethnic church planting, e.g., Gospel of Luke
4. Pray in sincere prayer for fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Recommendations:

1. That 15 minutes be granted Mr. Ben Davis of World Relief to set before the church the immediate possibility of re-settling refugees in this country.
2. That cross-cultural ministry to international students in North America be encouraged by:
 - 1) Synod's full endorsement of this outreach Ministry.
 - 2) The Moderator of Synod be asked to correspond with each session encouraging such ministry.
3. That the Synod exhort the R.P.C.N.A. to pray that we may be characterized as:
 - 1) a holy people with a passion for evangelism.

- 2) that God would stir the conscience of the denomination to see the need of ethnic North America for the gospel.
4. That the Lord's Day, November 10, 1985, be set aside as a day of "mission emphasis and prayer" across the church.
5. That a four-member Cross-Cultural Committee be formed from the Foreign Mission and Home Mission Boards to stimulate cross-cultural work within the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
 E. Clark Copeland
 Ronald V. Good
 J. Paul McCracken
 Robert H. McFarland
 Timothy Russell

The following series of special resolutions was adopted by the Synod:

1. That Synod request the denomination to join in a year of concentrated prayer for God's leading in the establishment and expansion of cross-cultural/ethnic work in the U.S.
2. That careful attention be given to the recommendations of the Cross-Cultural Committee.
3. That, as presbyteries, groups of congregations, or congregations begin to formulate plans for cross-cultural/ethnic works, the Foreign Mission Board be instructed to assist the Cross-cultural Committee by sharing information, obtaining material and planning financial programs as needed in carrying out such work.

The Judicial Committee reported that they had nothing assigned to them so had no report.

The Report of the Committee on Records of Presbyteries was taken up. In connection with a matter of the Minutes of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery, Keith Magill addressed the Court. This item was referred back to the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery to report to the 1986 Synod.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

The **Minutes** of the following presbyteries were examined, and nothing was found contrary to the law and order of the church: Iowa, Midwest, New York, Pacific Coast, Pittsburgh, St. Lawrence, and the Japan Commission. Some items of a purely technical nature were noted, and these appear in the appropriate Minute Books.

One question raised by the Committee regarding the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery Minutes reads as follows:

"p. 182, item 35, regarding Rev. Robert Morrow's ministry to the United Presbyterian Church near Sparta. The sentence: 'He

is dispensing the sacraments and moderating the session of that congregation.' Question: Could we hear the Presbytery comment on their oversight of this ministry?"

Other than this matter, nothing appeared contrary to the law and order of the church.

Recommendation:

That this meeting of Synod hear the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery comment on Mr. Morrow's Ministry to the aforementioned United Presbyterian Church.

Jonathan B. Leach
Assistant Clerk of Synod

The Report of the Committee to Revise the Book of Church Government was taken up. Discussion was limited to five minutes per chapter. If it was not adopted then it was to be returned to the Committee. Chapter 8 was amended by the Committee, debated and adopted by more than a two-thirds majority. Chapter 25 of the TESTIMONY was taken up, amended by the Committee and adopted by more than two-thirds majority. The following delegates registered their dissent concerning the matter of the ordaining of women to the office of deacon: Philip Pockras, Thomas Reid, Charles Burger, M.L. McFarland and Orville Shoop. Chapter 28 was taken up, amended by the Committee, debated and referred back to the Committee.

The following special resolution was adopted:

That (1) item 1 of the Report on Ordination Vow #8 which was adopted by the Synod by the vote of 76 to 23 be printed in the **Minutes** as the declared interpretation of Synod and (2) that the Majority Report with its supplement and the Minority Report be printed in the Appendix for study.

Item #1 of the Report is as follows: That the Synod adopt a statement clearly declaring the proper interpretation of the new **Testimony's** position on total abstinence as a requirement for church membership: That total abstinence from alcohol is strongly commended but not required for membership.

Robert McFarland registered his dissent to the interpretive statement with the following statement: The Synod of 1980 adopted this statement in regard to total abstinence from alcoholic beverages: "It is altogether wise and proper that Christians refrain from the use, sale, and manufacture of alcoholic beverages . . ." Any vagueness in this statement was clarified by the 1980 Covenant of Church Membership which stated: "Do you promise to abstain from the manufacture, sale or use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage?" The action of the 1985 Synod would change the vow of church membership from a vow to a voluntary activity. I dissent from this action because it was not reached by the orderly procedure of overtures to the sessions. Inasmuch as the only session action involved was in 1980 when the vow of total abstinence for church membership was in effect, I believe the

Synod of 1985 erred in not preparing any changes in the vow, for overture action, by all of the sessions.

The following special resolution was adopted:

That we write to our brother, Bruce Backensto, assuring him of our love and care, of the fact that we have prayed for him as a body and that we pledge ourselves as individuals to continue in prayer for him, his wife and his family.

Renwick Wright was appointed to write this letter.

The Report of The Committee to Revise the Book of Church Government was taken up. Chapter 28 of the Testimony was amended by the Committee and adopted by a more than two-thirds vote of the Synod. The Report of the Committee was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVISE THE BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT

By way of review, the Synod of 1981 called for the appointment of "a special committee to revise and rewrite the **Form of Church Government** taking into consideration the conclusions regarding the nature of the eldership already adopted by Synod" (1981 Minutes, p.17).

Our Committee brought to the Synod of 1983 a complete revision of the **Book of Church Government** implementing the statements in our revised **Testimony** (25:3) in which we show our commitment to the Presbyterian form of church government, to the distinction between the functions of teaching and ruling elders, to the parity of all elders in the government of the church, and to the plurality of elders in church courts. We would call your attention to the statement adopted by the Synod of 1979 which expresses in principle the denominational position on the nature of the office of elder until the adoption of the revision of the **Book of Church Government** (1979 Minutes, pp. 176-177; 1981 Minutes pp. 17-18). We would point out, however, that this "interim position" is subject to change and does not become the official position of the church until it has gone down in overture.

The Synod of 1982 approved the procedure of incorporating two sections in our revision. The first section is a proposed **Directory of Church Government**. It builds on the procedural elements of the present **Book of Church Government** in implementing the principles of church government set forth in our **Constitution**. The second section comprises proposed changes in the **Testimony**. These are proposed additions to Chapters 25, 26, and 28 which are taken from principle statements in the present **Book of Church Government**.

We have sought to carry out our task in keeping with the instructions given to us. Many of the changes we have made are far more than cosmetic changes, but we believe them to be consonant with the direction of our assignment. To be consistent, we have used the term "teaching elder" throughout, but we are not implying that the terms "pastor" or "minister"

are no longer acceptable.

Procedures in adopting this revision were approved by the Synod of 1983, as follows:

1. That 30 minutes be allowed for floor discussion and debate on each chapter of the proposed **Directory for Church Government**, and that individual speeches be limited to three minutes. No amendments will be allowed from the floor. Each chapter will be voted on in its entirety. Approval requires a two-thirds vote.
2. That failure to achieve a two-thirds majority vote on any chapter will have the effect of returning that chapter to the Committee for revision in the light of floor discussion.
3. That the section of revisions to the **Testimony** be considered under the same conditions as each chapter above.
4. That when each chapter (and the revisions to the **Testimony**) has received the necessary two-thirds vote of the Synod, the entire **Directory** and the changes in the **Testimony** be submitted to the sessions in overture, and that the sessions be asked to vote on each chapter separately, thereby allowing sessions, if in disagreement with a portion of the **Directory**, to vote in favor of chapters with which they stand in agreement.
5. That any chapter of the **Directory** not approved in overture be returned to the Committee for revision and resubmission to the Synod and to the sessions.
6. That the revised **Directory for Church Government** replace the present **Book of Church Government** and become the law and order of the church only upon adoption of all the chapters, and the declaration by Synod of their adoption.
7. That in subsequent years, the **Directory for Church Government** may be amended by any given Synod by a two-thirds majority vote. If, however, the Synod considers that such amendment should have the consideration and discussion of the sessions, it can by a simple majority vote to send the proposed change down in overture to the sessions.
8. That Chapter I, section 6 of the present **Book of Church Government** with some amendments be included as the first paragraph in the **History of the Standards** which introduces **The Constitution of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America**.

Our Committee presented a revision of our proposed Revision to the **Book of Church Government** to the 1984 Synod with the recommendation that each session study it and send suggested changes to our Committee by December 31, 1984. Twenty sessions responded. Our Committee met in Beaver Falls, February 18 and 19, 1985. We considered every suggested change and made a number of revisions. We will seek to have copies of the revised document in your hands at least two weeks before the meeting of Synod. It would be our aim and hope that the 1985

Synod could adopt the **Book of Church Government** as revised.

It would not be our intention to stifle discussion at this Synod or even to inhibit revisions (see #2 above), but we trust that we will be led to consensus and adoption without undue delay.

Respectfully submitted,
 Bruce Backensto
 Norman Carson
 Robert Catloth
 Robert McConaughy
 J. Paul McCracken
 Bruce C. Stewart, Chm.

The Minutes were approved.

The Committee to Revise the Book of Church Government was instructed to send out copies of the adopted items to the congregations.

Following the singing of Psalm 104 E the Synod was adjourned in prayer by the Moderator to meet at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas, July 12, 1986, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
 Paul M. Martin, Clerk
 Jonathan Leach, Assistant Clerk

APPENDIX

In Memorium: Paul D. White

The Lord gave earthly life to Paul D. White for over 92 years, from May 23, 1892, to January 8, 1985. It started and ended in Winchester, Kansas, his parents being David A. and Agnes Keers White. But according to the Scriptures, John 11:25, 26, he lives on eternally; for certainly he was a man of faith in Jesus Christ. His whole life was spent practicing and promoting the faith.

He was graduated from Geneva College in 1921 and from the R.P. Seminary in 1924. His Pastoral charges were at the Indian Mission 1924-1926; Eskridge, Kansas, 1926-1930; Bloomington, Indiana, 1930-1940; Denver, Colorado, 1940-1949; Quinter, Kansas, 1958-1965; with the years 1949-1958 spent as a mortuary chaplain in Denver. After his retirement he spent time as an interim pastor of the Cache Creek, Hebron, Winchester, Bloomington and Quinter congregations.

In his earlier years he worked at the Indian Mission as a farmer and cook, then later as the pastor. Those early years were interrupted for schooling and by service in the Army Infantry during World War I in France.

He was married to Margaret Tomasson, December 31, 1923, at

Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, and so the Lord let them live together for 61 years. They had three children: Mrs. Rosalie Smallwood of Aliquippa, Pennsylvania, Wendel T. White of Denver, Colorado, and Lyman F. White of New Windson, New York. There are also nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

After living at Quinter 20 years, he and Mrs. White moved to Winchester where she still resides.

Mr. White had a story for every occasion and often they came to a humorous conclusion. Even in his final bed of weakness when his voice was scarcely strong enough to be heard, he had a story to tell that left him with a broad smile on his face. Undoubtedly this contributed to his longevity, for he liked to quote Proverbs 17:22, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine." Paul White had a cheerful countenance which was evidence of inner peace. "A happy heart make the face cheerful" (Proverbs 15:13).

His body rests in the Winchester Cemetery where he spent countless hours remembering his many relatives and friends buried there.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord" Revelation 14:13.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

After a two-year construction period, the passing of 1984 brought to a close the first calender year of increased services rendered by the Home. This year the Residential Home Members numbered 37 and 109 persons were served in the Nursing Section.

The Board elected the following officers:

Mrs. Fred (Faith)	Martin President
Mrs. William (Sandra) Johns	Vice-President
Miss Adella Lawson	Recording Secretary
Mrs. John (Carol) Edgar	Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Wendell (Mabel) Hemphill	Treasurer
Mrs. Willard (Shirley) McMillan	Assistant Treasurer

Ten monthly Board meetings were held in the Home conference room, the July meeting was held at the Adams' farm in Darlington, and no meeting was held during August. The Building Committee has been replaced by a Long-range Planning Committee. Two standing committees were added: Supervised Residential and Investment Committee.

Members who entered the Residential Unit in 1984:

Mrs. Lois Marshall
 Mr. Robert Carpenter
 Miss Ruth Kakilty
 Mrs. ElizAbeth Gilchrist
 Miss Anna Hartzell
 Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Zirkle

Reformed Presbyterian deaths in 1984: Mrs. Buena Anderson.

Special recognition was given to Dr. Robert Wallace, a Home physician, who retired after 37 years of service to the Home family. This Report would not be complete without our thanking those who have been named so often and whom you all know individually or as part of our team. They are as faithful as always to give themselves, their time and abilities.

Remember that any member in good standing in the RPCNA may become an Association Member by payment of \$1.00; a Life Member for \$25.00, or a Life Director for \$100.00. This year Mr. and Mrs. Harold Faris and Dr. and Mrs. Adam Loughridge became life Directors.

"Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee in heaven above, or on earth beneath who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart."

Respectfully submitted,
Adella Lawson, Secretary

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATOR

I am grateful to report that during the past year the Reformed Presbyterian Home has been able to care for several of the Reformed Presbyterian Church as well as many others from the Pittsburgh community. Residential and patient care continues to be the most important thing we do. Physical, spiritual, medical, and social needs of our residents has been carried out to the best of the staff's ability for which we can be thankful and proud. Christ has given us a good example to follow in caring for our "neighbors."

1984 has been our first full year to operate in a completed building. We have discovered that it sometimes takes years to really "complete" construction. The residents have enjoyed the courtyard, sundeck, library, beauty shop and the craft room very much.

The number of residents in our residential section did not increase to full capacity during 1984, and we trust a recent question and answer article in the *Covenanter Witness* will cause people to recognize the benefits of living in the Home. However our nursing census is running at 98%. Our census climbed steadily between January and July, 1984, until we reached 57. Our policy is to keep the 58th bed reserved for emergencies.

It is beneficial to continuously see where improvements are needed. During the past year we have been seeking ways to improve the physical therapy program. I am thankful for Mr. Tom Campeau's physical therapy service to the Home after a full day at his hospital work, yet we realize physical therapy needed to be done during the morning hours and we desired a more comprehensive program in addition. At the end of 1984 we made a change and a representative from Southwest Rehabilitation Associates is now attending our residents five mornings a week.

Residential and nursing charges were raised effective February 1, 1984 to \$685.00 per month and \$53.00 and \$57.00 per day, respectively. As you can see from our financial statements for 1984, our operating charges do not meet our operating expenses, and this clearly indicates how valuable donations, bequests, investments income, and support from Synod are to help pay the cost of operating the Home. God continues to bless the Home with this non-operating revenue. Ernst and Whinney Accountants continue to help monitor our financial condition as does our Advisory Board. During 1984 we had more nursing residents rely on Medicare and Medicaid health insurance to pay for their nursing. Our 1984 per diem reimbursement was adjusted following audits of the 1983 financial statements by both the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The Home continued to pay back as scheduled a portion of the loans from Union National Bank and Nursing Home Loan Agency. During 1984 the interest rates were 11% at Union National Bank and 8.0615% with Nursing Home Loan Agency. We paid back approximately \$44,000.00 of principal on our two loans during 1984.

In the physical plant area the Home staff has tried to keep our new building in fine condition. For the Housekeeping and Laundry Departments cleanliness is a password. Visitors, families, and health surveyors have all commented on how clean our building is. The Maintenance Department has developed a good program of preventative maintenance. You will find that several high traffic areas have been repainted after only two years of use.

All applications for nursing care continue to be channeled through the Nursing Admissions Committee consisting of the Administrator, Director of Nursing, and Social Service Counselor. We have met whenever necessary and sometimes twice a day. The New Medicare DRG regulations brought a more intensive push to discharge people from the hospital, and this has had an affect on our nursing admissions. The residential applications are processed by the Admissions Committee of the Board of Directors.

It is our deep desire to provide proper spiritual help to our residents. The Administrative Staff along with the help of the Allegheny R.P. Church Session have tried to fulfill this important need. Several of our residents in nursing and residential have their own pastors who call on them. I am thankful that many residents have in turn strengthened my spiritual life as well.

The importance of good public relations cannot be overlooked. I believe the Public Relations Committee has done an excellent job of coordinating this phase of our work. Hats off to them or is it fans waving?! People contacts are very important in my responsibilities at the Home, and hopefully the Lord will continue to provide key contacts for us. Also initial impressions of our Home are extremely

important, and the home attempts to give good initial impressions to those who come through our doors.

Please pray for the residents and employees of the Home. Those who reside in the Home need encouragement and our employees need unlimited patience and strength. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of this ministry.

William J. Weir, Administrator

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING SEVERANCE PAY

The Home Missions Board has adopted the following policies and procedures for handling severance pay as guidelines, recognizing that the Policies and Procedures do not cover all situations. The Board is prepared to consider any request and will try to apply these Policies and Procedures in love and fairness to all.

It is understood that the severance pay will be paid for three months or until the person finds full-time employment, whichever comes first.

Situation

1. Pastor resigns-to accept another call or job, there is no severance pay.
2. Pastor resigns-and no longer desires to be a minister, there is no severance pay.
3. Pastor resigns-as per Presbytery's request or counsel, severance pay will be paid by the Presbytery. The Presbytery will be reimbursed by the Home Mission Board, if requested.
4. Pastor released by Presbytery-as per vote of the Congregation, severance pay will be paid by the Congregation.
5. Pastor retires-no severance pay, starts receiving a pension.
6. Pastor released from pastorate when Congregation is disorganized, severance pay will be paid by the Home Mission Board, if requested by Presbytery.

In situations involving items 3 and 6 above, the Presbytery will submit a letter to the Treasurer stating the following:

1. Name of Pastor
2. Date released from pastoral charge
3. Which of the above situations applies
4. Finances:

Annual Salary	\$ _____
Housing (if parsonage, state market value of rent)	_____
Fringe Benefits:	
Hospitalization	_____
Pension	_____
Total	\$ _____

If there is a parsonage, may the above named be able to stay in the

parsonage for all or part of the three months? Yes _____ No _____

5. List other information that may apply to this situation:

The Executive Committee is authorized to process the application for severance pay and report their decision to the Board at the next regular meeting for ratification.

The applicant will be notified along with his Presbytery of the decision and, if approved, he will be sent a check around the 15th of the month for the amount approved for up to three months or until he has full-time employment, whichever comes first.

THE REPORT OF THE REFORMATION TRANSLATION FELLOWSHIP

1. God's blessing upon us has produced a banner year. We express thanks to Him, to His servants on the RTF Board in Britain, and the RPCNA Foreign Mission Board, through whom God has in large measure channeled His assistance.
2. Dr. Chao's health has been sustained, and in this past year he published **Coming to Faith in Christ**, John Benton (4,000); **Into Life (The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul)**, Dr. Philip Doddridge (2,000 copies); **Calvin as a Theologian and Calvinism Today**, B.B. Warfield (2,000 copies) ; **History of Christian Doctrines**, L. Berkhof (3,000 copies); and **Reformed Faith and Life**, Quarterly (4 issues, 12,800 copies).
3. The following titles have been paid for and printed during the past year: John Calvin's **Golden Handbook of the Christian Life**, John Bunyan's **Grace Abounding**, C. Van Til's **Why I Believe in God**, Loraine Boettner's **The Reformed Faith**.

Additionally, Dr. Chao has completed the translation of Loraine Boettner's extensive **The Millennium**. When \$5,000 is received, we will print this important work. For future projects, the Board approved the translation of Van Til's **Defense of the Faith** and Herman Bavinck's **Our Reasonable Faith**. Following their translation, they will be published, according to Board policy, when the required funds (approxiamtely \$9,000 total) have been received.

4. Dr. Chao's radio ministry to mainland China has been curtailed because of lack of funds. The Board trusts that in the Lord's good timing He will provide funds sufficient to allow Dr. Chao to continue broadcasting his series on "The Reformed View of the Christian Church" and "Eschatology". The editing of our quality theological journal "Faith and Life" has been entrusted to Dr. Chao's son Jonathan, who since 1978 has been director of the "China Church Research Center" in Hong Kong. This frees up more of Dr. Chao's time so that he can concentrate on translation and broadcasting work.
5. The Taipei Reformed Fellowship was recently strengthened by the presence of Dr. Robert F. Heimburger, a neurosurgeon and ruling

- elder from Indianapolis who will serve a Taipei hospital for three years.
6. The RTF has been significant in building the congregation in Bloomington, Indiana and in Rochester, New York. We thank the RPCNA Foreign Mission Board, for paying the salary of Dr. Chao and lending him to the RTF for this translation work. We solicit the continued support by the church of this international ministry.
 7. We currently are considering whether and how God might continue this ministry after the passing of those whom He has raised up to initiate the work. We sincerely solicit the Church's prayer support during these deliberations, that God would open eyes to His leading in this vital matter.
 8. God has richly prospered this translation ministry. We gratefully thank Him for allowing us to be part of His plan to make disciples of all nations. May the faithfulness of God's people in supporting this disciple-making ministry redound to the glory of God and the growth of His true Church, Unto Ages of Ages.

THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

The purpose of the National Reform Association is to help the Lord's people in bringing their culture to the Kingship of Jesus Christ and His laws. The first and basic step is evangelism, missions and an outreach ministry. The next step is growth in Jesus Christ as the Savior and Lord of the individual life; the third step is a growing awareness that in the Scriptures is taught the concept that Jesus Christ is the Lord and King of all. This includes an understanding that no government is neutral, but that all governments, without exception, reflect the religious nature of the culture. If the culture is pagan so will be the government; if it is Moslem, so will be the government; if it is Christian, so will be the government. Hence, our task is to bring the culture nation to the Lord Jesus Christ and then teach God's people that government reflects the Christ-centered nature of the culture.

We cannot work backwards in this because it simply will not work. By backwards we mean that we cannot seek to bring the government to a Christ-centered basis and then expect the culture to follow. It must be the other way around. The culture must be led to Christ and then the local and national government will follow. When a culture comes to be directed by Christians and the laws of Jesus Christ, it does not in any way mean that all of the people in any given nation will be Christians. It merely means that the Christians, in any given society realizing their political responsibility, lead the local and national government in a Christ-centered direction.

By looking at the purpose of the National Reform Association in this way, we then see that evangelism and missions is the basic foundation and superstructure of the NRA. Also important is the place of Christian Education. Christ is to be taught and demonstrated from Scripture to be

truly the King and Lord of all—not only of the spiritual realm.

This Biblical concept goes counter to the teaching of a number of evangelical groups in America and in the world. This then is the task of the NRA: to articulate clearly the truth that our Lord Jesus Christ is King of men and of nations; that He is King of medicine, of law, of science, of all technology; in short, the King of all.

Chapters

There has been a request from a congregation in Kansas City for information and assistance in organizing a local NRA chapter. I have been in correspondence with the spokesman from this congregation regarding this request.

Research Specialist

Since the last report I have made arrangements for another specialist. He is Dr. R. Paul Wright and has been introduced in the May-June issue of the **Christian Statesman**. The area that he will be working in is "Alcohol and Drug Abuse." I am presently negotiating with another man in the area of the U.S. Constitution and Taxation.

200 Club

At the present time there are approximately 95 in the club.

M.L. McFarland, Executive Director

FURTHER REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

In 1903, the president of Harvard University asked some of the students what inscription would be suitable over the main entrance of the newly completed Emerson Philosophy Hall. For the most part the men liked the words, "Man is the measure of all things." When these men returned to class in the Fall they were surprised to find that the president had placed these words in the marble structure over the main door: "What is man that Thou art mindful of him? Psalm 8:4." In a sense Adam and Eve had this same struggle of determining who is really the final and infallible authority. Is it God or is it man? As you know Adam chose man as the final authority. As a result this same conflict rages today: Man seeking to be God. For those who are redeemed by Christ's death, the conflict is over as was true with Adam and Eve when God covered their nakedness by the symbolic skins. For the humanists (our modern day pagans) the conflict is burning hotter than ever. They are still seeking to build the tower, of Genesis 11, as a gigantic memorial to the sovereignty of man. They are attempting to build the Kingdom of man on earth.

The Church of Jesus Christ must be truly the church militant today. Not the church asleep, nor the church on vacation, and not the church out to lunch; but the church militant. It is my personal conviction that the ministry of national reform is the God given-task of the church as

church. Hence, it is not the exclusive task of any association. The **Testimony** of the the RPCNA, chapter 23, page 62, reads as follows: "Both the Christian and the church have a responsibility for witnessing against national sins and for promoting justice."

I see the church as the Lord's agency of reformation because reform is a necessary part the Great Commission. Jesus commissioned the church as recorded in Matthew 28:18-20 to: 1) make disciples of all nations, 2) baptize them in the Godhead, 3) teach them to observe all my words.

The Great Commission includes such activity as the Lord's disciples being light and salt. Discipleship also includes being obedient to the cultural or creation mandate. Furthermore, discipleship includes praying and laboring for the coming of God's Kingdom. Geerhardus Vos discribes the coming of the Kingdom of God in these words:

Various forms of human life have each their own sphere of science, a sphere of art, a sphere of family and of the state, a sphere of commerce and industry. Whenever one of these spheres comes under the controlling influence of the principle of the divine supremacy and glory, and this outwardly reveals itself, there we can truly say that the Kingdom of God has become manifest. (**The Kingdom of God and the Church**, pp. 87,88).

Vos did not intend that his list be considered comprehensive but suggestive. He would include all disciplines and every single area of life.

The Great Commission sets forth the church's ministry of bringing individuals to discipleship and then humanistic cultures to the Kingship of Christ and His laws. This is the essence of national and international reform. Since the Great Commission was given to the church and national reformation is part of the Commission then it follows that national reform is a ministry of the church.

Let us look at national reform from the perspective of the Gospel itself.

The gospel is certainly not the Arminian brand, which is merely fire insurance that stresses heaven and hell as motives for salvation. This truncated gospel is clearly humanistic and serves the interests of fallen man. The Biblical call to repentance and salvation is a word of command from the sovereign God to cease from our self-service and self-worship. It is a trumpet call to serve and worship the creator God and not the creature.

This simple-gospel does liberate man from the consequences of the Fall; but to pursue his own independent way in building the kingdom of man. In other words, the Arminian gospel too often leaves the convert as a born again humanist. This type of convert is a spiritual cripple when he is confronted with the task of national reform, let alone good Chhristian citizenship. He becomes part of the pietistic **movement** (this is not in any way to denigrate personal piety) and maybe even a gifted fisher of man, but rejects God's mandate to subdue and have dominion over God's aquarium.

It must be noted, however, and we must give sincere thanks to the Lord who is now convicting non-Reformed Christians of their need to become involved in society and culture. Their growing involvement becomes a source of embarrassment and hopefully conviction to some Reformed people for their being salt that has lost its savor.

What, then, is the place of the National Reform Association? At the May 20, 1985, meeting of the NRA Board this following Statement of Purpose was presented by a special committee and is now under consideration:

The proposed corporation is formed for the purpose of promoting the acknowledgment by the nation of its submission to Jesus Christ, its King. Secondly, the corporation will seek the implementation of Biblical law being the basis for the civil law of our nation.

It is my desire to see this statement expanded by the addition of these words from the 1980 Testimony of the RPCNA, Paragraph 1, p. 57:

"A true recognition of the authority and law of Christ in national life can only be the fruit of the Spirit's regenerating power in the lives of individuals."

How does the Association seek to accomplish this purpose? By being a **resource agency**. The Association is seeking to increase the number of research projects in which we are engaged. At the present time we have a Research Specialist in the area of "Pro-Life Advocacy." He is Ken Gentry, a pastor in the Presbyterian Church in America. In the area of alcohol and drug abuse we now have Dr. R.P. Wright. He will be formally introduced to the readers of the **Statesman** in the forthcoming issue. Rev. L.J. Joosse, a Reformed pastor in the Netherlands is a Research Specialist in the area of "Evangelism and Missions." Rev. Roy Myers, pastor of the West Branch Episcopal Church, will be a "Research Assistant" in "Church and State." Rev. Myers and his wife are both graduates of Geneva College and both came to the Lord under the ministry of Rev. John Guest.

As a resource agency, the task of the Association is to help the church in the area of Christian Education. We are presently seeking to undertake this ministry through tracts, films, and especially the **Christian Statesman**. Beginning with the July-August issue the **Statesman** will be under the editorship of Dr. D. Howard Elliott.

Our plans call for the addition of more volunteer staff; namely in the area of Field Directors. These will be men and women who are qualified to teach and speak on the subject within their area of experience and expertise. Eventually, we plan to have a growing number of Field Directors throughout the country.

The chairman of the NRA Board has been authorized to name a search committee with the assignment of selecting a full time Executive Director. This person's primary task will be that of being on the road

contact with as many congregations denominations, and other Christian groups as possible. Since this is an inappropriate time to leave my present pastorate due to the growth factor I prefer to continue under the NRA Board in the capacity of volunteer coordinator. My heart is much with this full-orbed ministry of the Gospel of the Kingdom. In fact, some men and women from Ogemaw County are making plans to meet for what, I hope, will be the organization of a new local chapter of the NRA. Please pray for this.

In conclusion let me direct your attention to the men of the tribe of Issachar. Men who understood "what Israel ought to do." (I Chronicles 12:32) The men of the other tribes had their place and importance. Nevertheless, men like those in the tribe of Issachar are necessary. It appears that the Lord raises up men in each age who "understand the times." We can add to the tribe of Issachar such names as: Charles Colson, Francis Schaeffer, James Kennedy, John Whitehead (founder of the Rutherford Institute), and a man by the name of Tim Moore. Mr. Moore is one of the Vice Presidents of EE, who assigned himself the task of correcting the inaccuracy that Carl Sagan had in his book, *Cosmos*. Mr. Moore, by persistent correspondence with Sagan, pointed out that history does not support his account (*Cosmos*, p. 336) of the death of Hypatia the Alexandrian beauty and philosopher.

The significance of Moore's determined campaign against the author of *Cosmos* is that Sagan draws his book to a close by pointing out that science and learning is on the verge of outstanding breakthroughs and that at no other time was this true, with the exception of the time immediately before the Alexandrian Library was burned and countless irreplaceable books were lost forever. Sagan writes as follows: "Only once before in our history was there the promise of a brilliant scientific civilization" (*Cosmos*, p. 333). Then he goes on to describe the mass of cultural content of the Library of Alexandria. Then he writes, "From the time of its creation in the third century B.C. until the destruction seven centuries later, it was the brain and heart of the ancient world" (ibid., p. 334).

By reading between the lines we find (thanks to Mr. Moore) that Sagan is subtly giving a warning to Christians today. It could be worded something like this, "Don't stop the progress of learning by another stupid book burning." With these following words (pp.335-336) this is how Sagan seeks to lay the blame for the collapse of learning at the feet of the Christians of that day.

The growing Christian Church was consolidating its power and attempting to eradicate pagan influence and culture. Hypatia stood at the epi-center of these mighty social forces. Cyril, the Archbishop of Alexandria, despised her because of her close friendship with the Roman governor, and because she was a symbol of learning and science, which was largely identified by the early Church

as paganism. In great personal danger, she continued to teach and publish, until, in the year 415, on her way to work she was set upon by a fanatical mob of Cyril's parishioners. They dragged her from her chariot, tore off her cloths, and, armed with abalone shells, flayed her flesh from her bones. Her remains were burned, her works obliterated, her name forgotten, Cyril was made a saint.

Mr. Moore corresponded with Mr. Sagan to point out that history records that those who murdered Hypatia and burned the library were not in any way a part of the Christian community. Futhermore, Moore has used his regular EE radio program to fully air this whole subject and the historical discrepancies in Sagan's **Cosmos**.

Our thanks to the Lord for raising up men today from the tribe of Issachar. Men who understand the times and know what the church ought to do, and then for other tribes who lead the church militant into programs and campaigns of social and cultural involvement for the kingship of the Lord Jesus Christ.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW VOW #8

The Synod of 1983 assigned this Committee "to review vow #8 in light of the paper adopted by the 1981 Synod on Ordination Vows Binding the Conscience and the [new] **Testimony**." Since that Synod, we have held two meetings and have engaged in considerable study and correspondence. We also gratefully acknowledge the materials and counsel extended to us by concerned parties. Our report contains separate considerations of each of the two standards prescribed in our assignment, followed by general conclusions and recommendations.

I. The (New) **Testimony**

The point most directly touching our assignment is the meaning of our new **Testimony's** statement that total abstinence from alcohol is "altogether wise and proper." (Chap.26) What change, if any, was intended from the former **Testimony's** position that "the followers of Christ should totally abstain from the manufacture, sale, and use of intoxicants as a beverage . . ." and its rejection of the error that "the occasional or habitual use of intoxicants as a beverage is consistant with Christian duty and fellowship?" (Chapt. 22) On this point, we have found it difficult to render a decision because of differing understandings within the denomination regarding the sense of the new **Testimony's** statement.

We have considered comments from some who supported the new **Testimony's** statement because they understood that no change was intended from the church's position that total abstinence be required for membership. Some of these men were present at the 1979 Synod when Chapter 26 of the **Testimony** revision was approved and they have stated that they would have voted against the chapter if they had understood that a change in the church's position was intended. Therefore, if total abstinence from alcohol remains a requirement for membership, it is

obviously still a requirement for licensure or ordination and no objection can be made against the abstinence portion of ordination/licensure Query #8 on the ground that the new **Testimony** has altered the church's position. (Hereafter cited as Query #8. Throughout the Report, unless otherwise qualified, "abstinence" is to be understood as total abstinence from alcoholic beverages.)

However, without implying approval or disapproval, we observe that the prevailing understanding of the new **Testimony's** statement is that total abstinence from alcohol is strongly commended but not required for membership. The appointment of this Committee and of the earlier Committee assigned to evaluate Gregory Moberg's paper (Paper 81-5) is evidence of the Synod's understanding that at least some change was involved in the church's position when the new **Testimony** was adopted. We also observe that the Synods of 1979 and 1980 assigned a special judicial committee to review an alleged violation of the law and order of the church in a resolution adopted by the New York Presbytery concerning the use of alcoholic beverages. Implicit in the allegation and the committee assignment was Synod's concern that the Presbytery's action was premature, that is, that its resolution would have been lawful under the new **Testimony** but was not lawful at the time of its adoption under the old **Testimony** (1980 Minutes, p.93; 1981 Minutes, p.48). The Committee to Re-write the Form of Church Government has also reflected this understanding of the **Testimony's** position, as it has not included in its preliminary draft of the chapter on church membership any mention of an abstinence requirement, such as the one included in the present standard (Chapter 2, par. 3). If the new **Testimony** actually has involved a change in the church's position, then a rescinding of the present Church Government's abstinence requirement might be regarded as implicit, but the lack of any specific ruling from the Synod has left the church in some degree of uncertainty. A final resolution of the question concerning the status of the abstinence promise in Query #8 is impossible as long as that uncertainty persists. We are nevertheless proceeding in this Report with the assumption that the prevailing understanding of the church, in spite of some uncertainties, is that the new **Testimony** does not require total abstinence from alcoholic beverages for membership in the church.

If the new **Testimony** does not present abstinence as a requirement for membership, does it also imply that abstinence should not be required for licensure or ordination? That would be the case if the new **Testimony's** position were intended to oppose total abstinence requirements as wrong or contrary to the Scriptures. That would also be the case if the church held that no requirements would be made of licentiates or ordained officers beyond those requirements made of all members. We do not think that either of these is the case. Candidates for licensure and ordination are required to make a direct subscription to the constitutional standards

of the church, and they are asked to make other explicit commitments not required of members in general. Also, while some in the church regard total abstinence requirements as being contrary to the Scriptures, the new **Testimony** comes short of stating that position. It appears to commend, rather than require, total abstinence because of a difference in understanding concerning how the church's temperance testimony is best implemented and applied. The new **Testimony** strongly commends the practice of total abstinence and cites the same considerations contained in substance in the former **Testimony**; it presents abstinence as a practice to be encouraged among church members as a matter for growth and greater consistency in Christian witness and discipleship. It is not unreasonable that the church might **require** of its licentiates and officers an exemplary practice of what it so strongly **commends** to its members. On the other hand, the church may choose to make abstinence a strong recommendation (but not a requirement) for its officers and licentiates. However, we conclude that the position of the new **Testimony** does not **require** that Query #8 be altered. The query remains compatible with the **Testimony** of the church.

II. The 1981 Report of the Committee on the Nature of the Ordination Vow (hereafter referred to as the "Vow Committee").

We find in this report three principles bearing particular relevance to our assignment. They are summarized in Part I, Section B, of the body of the Report and in the following items from the first recommendation of the Report:

- 4) In general, ordination vows should not focus upon particular doctrines or practices, but should indicate a hearty acceptance of the church's confession as a whole.
- 5) Ordination vows should contain only those things which the church has officially declared in the **Confession** and **Testimony** to be clearly taught in the Word of God.
- 8) The ordination vows should be so stated that the church need not, and should not, allow exceptions to, or qualification of them (1981 **Minutes**, pp. 128-129).

A. Item #8 and the Problem of Exceptions and Qualifications

We observe that several of our presbyteries have noted situations where candidates for licensure or ordination have taken exception to the abstinence promise in Query #8, sometimes declining to assent to that part of the query or assenting to it with stated reservations or exceptions. When objections are repeatedly raised to a particular vow or query, the church must ascertain whether the objections involve a lack of knowledge or commitment on the part of the candidate, a change in the church's position, or a defect in the query itself. We find that objections to Query #8 are concerned largely with the authority of the church to require a commitment to total abstinence.

This concern will be discussed in the next section of our Report.

Another issue, however, is raised by Item #8 in the recommendations of the Vow Committee Report. The concern of this item is that vows be so **worded** that exceptions need not be allowed. We find it conceivable that some might object to the abstinence promise in Query #8 out of concern over the proper range and limits of the commitment. Does the candidate solemnly bind himself to an absolute abstinence under every conceivable circumstance, including life-threatening and critical situations? The candidate should not seek the plain and ordinary sense of the commitment apart from the church's understanding of its meaning and intention. For instance, the use of alcohol (or narcotics) for genuine medicinal purposes is not within the range of the abstinence requirement. Likewise, it is reasonable to assume that the commitment does not bind a person under certain exceptionally dangerous or critical circumstances or emergencies (such as disasters, shipwrecks, famines, plagues, invasions, torture, etc.) where the consumption of an alcoholic beverage might become necessary. The sense of the abstinence commitment should be understood to concern what the church last century termed "luxurious use," or the consumption of intoxicating drinks as beverages. If the Synod perceives a significant amount of misunderstanding over the proper sense and limits of the abstinence commitment in Query #8, it may wish to issue a statement declaring the sense in which the commitment is to be understood. An amplification of the query itself would be cumbersome. While vows should be worded as plainly as possible, they cannot be expected to bear the precision of a legal document. Their full meaning must be derived from the context of the church's doctrine and confession.

We conclude that the principle stated in Item #8 of the Vow Committee Report does not directly require a change or deletion of the abstinence promise in Query #8. The possibility of mistaking the sense of a vow could be reduced by a verbal revision of the vow or by an explanatory statement from the Synod, but we find nothing in the **wording** of the abstinence commitment in Query #8 to require such steps.

B. Item #5 and the Consideration of Scriptural Warrant

The principle stated in this item has been central to the discussion and controversy concerning the total abstinence requirement. The principle is further defined and qualified by statements within the body of the Vow Committee Report, especially in Part I, Section B, Par. 5, and by statements in Part II concerning the conditions under which a church might be charged with violating liberty

of conscience. Is a requirement of total abstinence from alcohol consistent with the Scriptural system of doctrine and conduct presented in our confessional standards? Have our confessional standards declared such a position "to be clearly taught in the Word of God?" If not, then, at the very least, such a requirement should not be included in an ordination/licensure vow. Further, the church would be in danger of having improperly bound the consciences of those whom it required to make such a commitment, if that commitment is only a matter of "submission to a command simply because the church requires it, without giving any Scriptural reasons for it." (1981 Minutes, p. 127.)

The Scriptural basis for a total abstinence requirement has been discussed extensively over the last generation, and numerous papers and reports presented to the Synod have concerned different aspects of that basis. The 1975 Synod adopted the body of a report from the Committee on Ordination Vows Binding the Conscience (hereafter referred to as the Conscience Committee. 1975 Minutes, p. 109.) The Committee stated, "In none of these [Scripture] quotations or their contexts is there any indication that all use of alcohol is sinful in and of itself, or that such a consideration is the basis for the call to abstinence." (1975 Minutes, p. 109) The Committee added, however, that the Scriptures do warn against the use of alcohol (or any other substance) when such use would cause another to stumble. Under those circumstances, the use of alcoholic beverages **becomes** sinful and the church is acting within its proper authority to forbid and warn against such offenses.

The proper extent and implementation of the church's authority concerning such offenses became a point of disagreement between the Conscience Committee and a majority of the 1975 Synod. The Committee recommended that total abstinence requirements be removed from Query #8 and from Chapter 22 of the (old) **Testimony**. A majority of the Synod favored a broader construction of the church's authority regarding the prevention of offenses and did not adopt the recommendations of the Conscience Committee concerning the deletion of abstinence requirements. On this matter, the demonstration of a Scriptural basis for total abstinence would rest upon whether the confessional standards of the church favor a broad constructionist view of the church's authority to prevent offenses arising from the use of alcohol. Such a view appears to have been the position of the former **Testimony** (Chapter 22) but is not so easily demonstrable from the corresponding chapter of our present **Testimony** (Chapter 26).

The differences of conviction on this matter are part of a broader difference within the Reformed tradition concerning the relative powers of Synods and presbyteries, the nature of member-

ship in a confessional church, and numerous more specific matters. The significance of the decisions of the Jerusalem Council (Acts 15:22-29) has often been considered and debated by the proponents of the different views in the matter. A final resolution of such an involved and long-standing question is beyond the bounds of the assignment of this Committee. We do observe, however, that the Synod of 1975 acted upon the conviction that the Scriptures and the church's confessional standards favored a view of the authority of the church wherein total abstinence could lawfully be required in order to prevent offenses and to promote mutual edification.

In further assessing the significance of the Conscience Committee Report and the actions of the 1975 Synod concerning it, we observe that the church has not altogether disqualified all adduced Scriptural support for a total abstinence requirement. The Conscience Committee Report stated that no direct textual basis could be demonstrated to teach that the consumption of alcoholic beverages is sinful in and of itself. However, on this point, the Report confined itself to a particular set of approaches which have had varying amounts of influence on the church's defense of its temperance position. A leading approach made use of historical and philological studies to assert that the wines commended in the Scriptures were exclusively nonalcoholic and that the Scriptures consistently condemn any use of alcoholic drinks. William Patton's book **Bible Wines** had great influence upon the church beginning in the last third of the nineteenth century. Other approaches often concerned the use of Biblical analogies and examples to establish an implicit Scriptural requirement that followers of Jesus Christ totally abstain from alcoholic beverages. Among these analogies and examples were the requirement of total abstinence for priests and Levites discharging their official ministries, the analogy between leavening and fermentation and its implications for Passover and for the Christian life (I Cor. 5:7-8), and the example of the Recabites. (The **1971 Minutes**, pp. 139-155, review these approaches in detail.) These approaches were not taken by the church in the earliest years of its abstinence testimony and were even opposed afterward by some who favored the church's original approach. (For instance: R. Hutcheson, "Sacramental Wine," **R. P. & C.**, 1875, pp. 37ff; N.R. Johnston, "Does the Bible Enjoin Total Abstinence?", 1886, pp. 103-109.)

Both our former and present Testimonies cite abuses arising from the present traffic in intoxicants as reasons for total abstinence. Although this approach has receded into the background of some recent discussions, it arises from the original approach taken by the church in defending and explaining its position. During the first decades of the nineteenth century, a number of denominations, including ours, exhibited a growing concern over abuses and problems arising

ing from intemperence and drunkenness. This concern was not merely over the perceived increase of drunkenness, which was by no means a new development, but over the compounding and aggravating effects of industrialization and centralization upon that problem. Concern was voiced over the increasing power and expanding influence of distilleries and liquor distributors, their promotion of drunkenness as a means of exploitation and control in mining and industrial communities, and the sharp increase in the number of saloons and in the use of distilled liquor, all of which conditions were unknown in ancient times. Our church perceived the situation to require specific corporate testimony. The Synod of 1841 passed a resolution prohibiting members of the church from any involvement in the trafficking of intoxicating beverages. The specific application of that resolution was clarified and reaffirmed in several later pronouncements and was explicitly declared to include the **use** of alcoholic beverages (for "luxurious" purposes) in 1857. The Synod also went on record in favor of Prohibition legislation as early as 1853. (Some later Synods, particularly the 1866 Synod, stated that a prohibition of **use** was always intended in the 1841 statement. However, others proposed making total abstinence an explicit term of communion because of concerns that Synod's pronouncements were not explicit enough for membership requirements.)

The church's temperance position and efforts, along with other specific testimonies on moral and social problems, were spurred by its convictions regarding the kingship of Christ, the responsibility of civil society to acknowledge His authority, and the obligation of the church to bear such specific corporate testimony (an implication of the obligation of public covenanting). These convictions were clearly stated in the church's confessional standards as the teaching of the Scriptures, and that Scriptural basis for such convictions was set forth in numerous publications of the church. The church's temperance position was at least in part an application of those convictions concerning the church's obligation in regard to the kingship of Christ. We are faced with the question of the relevance of such a basis for an abstinence position now, as the church has altered its understanding of covenanting and testimony bearing and of the implications of the doctrine of the kingship of Christ. The church must decide whether its alterations have amounted to such a complete change from its earlier convictions that they no longer support its position on total abstinence. Our Committee is in no position to decide the question, but we do observe that the church originally adopted its position at least in part because of convictions its **Confession** and **Testimony** clearly presented as Scriptural.

The church at that time also showed a concern to present a more direct Scriptural basis for its specific position against liquor

trafficking (and by implication, the use of intoxicating beverages). The 1841 Synod passed a resolution re-affirming its solemn commitment to the Scriptures as "the only rule for faith and life" and directed that such a statement appear with the printed editions of the Terms of Communion. That Synod, as well as the 1857 Synod, also cited the Larger Catechism's teaching on the Sixth Commandment and the principles of interpreting the commandments contained in L.C. Question #99 as a basis for pronouncements against trafficking in intoxicants. The church did not claim legislative or imperial authority to impose its own teachings and commandments in addition to the commandments of God. It understood itself to be acting as a court, with declarative authority only, in interpreting and applying the commandments of God. Its position on liquor trafficking and abstinence was issued in a manner consistent with the church's confessional teaching on the Law of God and the authority of the Scriptures.

One might challenge a specific position or pronouncement of the church as an ill-conceived or inappropriate application of the Scriptures. Church courts can and do err. A truly Reformed church must be willing to reconsider its specific applications and positions it receives more understanding on the particular matter or if it receives a clearer understanding of the teaching of the Scriptures to be applied to that matter. On the particular question of abstinence, one might object to the relevancy or propriety of the position itself as an application of the teaching of the Scriptures, but the making of a general charge that the church, by requiring total abstinence, violates liberty of conscience and imposes human commandments by its own authority is not appropriate. To deny that the church may require assent to or compliance with specific doctrines or positions (which are issued with a sincere intention to apply the teaching of the Scriptures) is a position ultimately hostile to the very concept of a confessional church. The difficulties and tensions our church has experienced on these matters may more often be attributed to the problem of private judgment versus corporate judgment, as the Vow Committee Report has stated. (1981 Minutes, p. 127-128)

We therefore conclude that the church's position on abstinence has been maintained through various Scriptural approaches. Some of these approaches have been ruled invalid; others have received challenges and are still under consideration. We nevertheless observe that the church's position has historically been declared in its **Confession and Testimony** to be based upon clear Scriptural teaching and principles. On this consideration, the abstinence promise in Query #8 is consistent with the principle expressed in Item #5 of the first recommendation of the Vow Committee Report.

C. Item #4 and the Matter of Specific Practices

There can be little doubt that abstinence from alcoholic beverages is a “particular practice” under the consideration of this item. However, that portion of Query #8 should not automatically be ruled inconsistent with the principle stated in the item. The application of this item is qualified by the words “in general” and “focus.” The church may conclude that such an explicit and public commitment to the practice of abstinence is appropriate or necessary and that Query #8 is to be allowed as an exception to the general principle stated in this item. Our Committee is not in a position to decide that, but we do observe that the abstinence commitment is obviously a “particular practice.” We also observe that any revision of the queries according to this principle would involve a consideration of other “particular doctrines and practices” as well. Further, the deletion of the abstinence vow from Query #8 would not automatically remove the **requirement** of total abstinence for licentiates and officers. The requirement itself appears in our constitutional standard for Church Government, Chapter V, Pars. 7, 15; and Chapter VI, Par. 7. The requirement that licentiates and ordained officers abstain from tobacco exists without an accompanying vow.

III. General conclusions

In presenting this review, we are not indifferent to the desires and concerns of those who strongly wish the abstinence promise to be removed from Query #8 or of those who strongly wish it to be retained and more consistently upheld. The Synod is in a position to revise the query and even the abstinence requirement itself if it concludes that such revision is appropriate or warranted by other changes in the church’s teaching. However, from the standpoint of our assignment, we conclude that the new **Testimony** and the 1981 Vow Committee Report **require** no change in Query #8, unless the Synod judges that the query’s inclusion of a particular practice is not allowable.

Recommendations:

1. That the Synod adopt a statement clearly declaring the proper interpretation of the new **Testimony’s** position on total abstinence as a requirement for church membership: That total abstinence from alcohol is strongly commended but not required for membership.
2. That the Synod re-affirm its commitment to the first query of the Covenant of Church Membership and to the principles of interpreting and applying the commandments of God as set forth in the Larger Catechism Q. 99.
3. That the Synod declare that the proper intent of the abstinence

requirement in Query #8 involves no violation of the principles affirmed in Recommendation 2.

4. That a minority report and a supplementary recommendation be presented to the Synod before final action is taken on this Report.
5. That this Committee be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
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Supplementary Recommendation:

We, the undersigned members of Synod's Committee to Review Query #8 of the Ordination Vows, propose some revisions in the Queries because of the following objectionable features which we believe can, at least in some measure be corrected:

1. Reference to total abstinence in Query #8 is introduced by the expression, "That you may perform faithfully all the duties of the office," and is immediately preceded by, "Do you promise . . . to live a holy and exemplary life." It would seem that living a holy and exemplary life is no more specifically related to performance of official duties than are commitment to Scripture, faith in Christ, public confession, doctrinal purity, church government, Christian citizenship, and godly motivation, each of which is the subject of a preceding query. Commitment to a holy and exemplary life seems to us to merit the similar distinction of a separate query.
2. The expression "alcoholic beverages and habit-forming narcotics" in Query #8 fails to recognize that alcoholic beverages are habit-forming and that narcotics are not the only objectionable drugs. A more inclusive expression would seem preferable.
3. The placement of the words "to abstain from alcoholic beverages and habit-forming narcotics" between "to live a holy and exemplary life" and "to study and promote the purity, peace, unity and progress of the church" correlates the commitment to total abstinence with two comprehensive ones and so implies that this commitment, too, comprehends the whole category of appropriate behavior. Actually, of course, it is only one small sample of behavior in healthful, responsible living habits too numerous to list in the Queries.

To help overcome some of the difficulties we noted, we propose the following:

1. That Query #8 be revised to read as follows: As one expression of your commitment to live a holy and exemplary life, do you promise to apply Scriptural principles of temperance and godliness in opposition

to worldly and debilitating indulgence in alcohol, tobacco, and other addictive and mind-altering drugs, and so to show yourself a model of sobriety, restraint, and sound judgment?

2. That Query 9 read as follows: That you may faithfully perform all the duties of the office to which you have been called, do you promise to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and in His strength to study and promote the purity, peace, unity, and progress of the church—continuing with the remainder of present Query #8 applying to the different offices.
3. That present Query #9 become Query #10.

We recommend that the above proposal be presented to the church for study and be placed on the agenda of the 1986 Synod for possible adoption and submission to overture.

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COMMITTEE ON VOW #8 Minority Report

The eighth query for ordination, installation, and licensure reads in part, “Do you promise in His strength to live a holy and exemplary life, to abstain from alcoholic beverages and habit-forming narcotics . . . ?” The question is put to ministers, elders, licentiates, and deacons. The Majority Report has clarified the issues surrounding this query in an extremely helpful manner. However, the Majority Report somewhat evades the main issue: Is query #8 valid and to be retained in its present form? On the basis of the findings of the Majority Report, I believe that it should not.

The Majority Report notes that the new **Testimony** does contain a change in the requirement of total abstinence from alcoholic beverages as a requirement of church membership. “. . . we observe that the prevailing understanding of the new **Testimony’s** statement is that total abstinence from alcohol is strongly commended but not required for membership.” The bases for the apparent change are 1) Since 1975 Synod has denied the validity of the “Bible Wines” argument, i.e., that there are explicit texts requiring total abstinence from alcoholic beverages. 2) the “weaker brother” argument has a very narrow focus in the sense that it can really be applied only in the context of particular personal relationships. The relevant Scriptural passages make it clear that the “strong” believer was not bound in all circumstances to abstain from meat. (e.g., “The man who eats everything must not look down on him who does not, and the

man who does not eat everything must not condemn the man who does, for God has accepted him." Romans 14:3) He was restrained only from mocking his weaker brother and from using his indulgence in a goading way to lead his brother to violate his own conscience. 3) The Church is reluctant to assert a "broad constructionist" interpretation of its authority over all of its members in regard to the particular practice of total alcoholic abstinence. In such reluctance the Church is on sound ground. The abuse by the medieval Church of its power to command was one of the reasons for the Reformation. As the **Westminster Confession of Faith** declares: "God alone is Lord of the conscience, and hath left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men, which are in any thing contrary to His Word; or beside it, if matters of faith or worship." (XX:2) The Scripture is clear about the Church's authority: she must be unbendingly rigid in matters where God's Word is clear, but dare not bind men where God has not spoken. Her authority is "strictly declarative."

Should the officers of the Church vow to follow some "ethical" standard of behavior more demanding than non-ordained church members have to follow? Certainly they should have a clear understanding of the Scriptures and live exemplary lives. But should they vow to do, or not do, something not plainly required by the Word of God? The medieval Church required monks to promise to live a certain way, even though these promises were not required by the Scripture. Concerning those vows our **Confession of Faith** states: "In which respects, Popish monastical vows of perpetual single life, professed poverty and regular obedience, are so far from being degrees of higher perfection, that they are superstitious and sinful snares, in which no Christian may entangle himself." (XXII:7) Certainly a vow of total abstinence from alcoholic beverages is not so far-reaching as any of the main monastic vows were; but the vow does establish a "higher" ethical standard for officers than for non-ordained members. On what grounds? If because the "weaker brother" argument requires it, then that argument surely applies equally to all members. But our new **Testimony** does not require total abstinence of all members. Therefore, neither should we require it of the Church's officers: the demands of ethical living are the same for all.

Recommendations:

1. Same as Majority Report number 1.
2. Same as Majority Report number 2.
3. That the Synod declare that to require total abstinence in Query #8 is beyond the declarative authority of the Church.
4. That Query #8 be rewritten according to the proposals of the Supplementary Report, and that these proposals of the Supplementary Report, and that these proposals be placed on the agenda for the 1986 Synod for adoption and submission to overtire.
5. Same as Majority Report number 5.

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Pastor: Ronald V. Good, 825 S. Iowa, Washington, IA 52353.

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Clerk: George F. Masson, Jr., 731 S. Marion Avenue, Washington, IA 52353. Phone: 319-653-4352

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Pastor: Bruce C. Hemphill, 1101 Downing Avenue, Hays, KS 67601

Phone: 913-625-7671. Installed 2-15-78

Clerk: Joe Copeland, 703 Fort Street, Hays, KS 67601.

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Pastor: J. Bruce Martin, 813 Crawford, Clay Center, KS 67432.

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Clerk: Russell James, R.5, Clay Center, KS 67432.

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Pastor: David L. Burke, 711 Gove Street, Quinter, KS 67752

Phone: 913-754-3406. Installed 7-25-84

Clerk: Waldo McBurney, 518 Park Street, Quinter, KS 67752

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Elders: Vernon Bender, Chester Graham, Max E. Mann

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Pastor: Jerrold S. Milroy, 14103 West 62nd Terrace, Shawnee, KS 66216. Phone: 913-631-9380. Installed 7-15-77.

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Pastor: D. Raymond McCracken, Rt.2, Box 337, Walden,

NY 12586. Phone: 914-564-3924. Installed 1984

Clerk: Donald Crawford, Box 78, Rt.1, Wallkill,
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Treasurer: Paul McDonald, 6404 T.R.55, Bellefontaine,
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Clerk: Donald Moore, 2008 Georgetown Road, Bloomington,
IN 47401. Phone: 812-339-2039

Elders: Charles Cooper

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Clerk: Edmund Schisler, 1535 South Drive, Columbus,
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Elders: None

Treasurer: Gary Ream, 3240 McCullough Lane, Columbus,
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Pastor: Robert Schmidtberger, 580 Meridian Line Road,
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Pastor: Samuel B. Sterrett, Oakdale, IL 62268.

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Clerk: Preston Carson, Box 155, R.R.#1, Oakdale, IL 62268.
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Ogemaw—3292 North M-33, Rose City, MI 48654

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Elders: Milton Harrington

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Clerk: George Evans, 328 Kingsley Drive, Selma, AL 36701.
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OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS-COMBINED FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 5, 1985**

"I have checked these records and find the balance of \$2,070.13 in the checking account as of 1/5/85 to be correct."

Eve B. Hays

3/8/85

	BALANCE 1/5/84	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE- MENTS	BALANCE 1/5/85
Contingent Fund	\$ 872.38	\$ 2,184.55	\$ 1,949.76	\$ 1,075.65
Life & Memorial Fund	2,000.23	615.30	-0-	2,615.53
Thankoffering Fund	-0-	26,497.25	26,497.25	-0-
Special Projects Fund	133.96	1,756.75	1,883.44	7.27
Designated Funds	-0-	7,530.70	7,529.80	.90
Less interfund transfer		50.00	50.00	
	\$ 3,006.57	\$38,534.55	\$ 37,810.25	\$ 3,730.87

BANK ACCOUNTS

Concord-Liberty Savings & Loan Assoc.— Savings	\$ 1,570.44	\$ 90.30	-0-	\$ 1,660.74
Union National Bank of Pittsburgh-Checking	\$ 1,436.13	38,444.25	37,810.25	2,070.13
	\$ 3,006.57	\$38,534.55	\$ 37,810.25	\$ 3,730.87

RECEIPTS

Iowa Presbyterial	\$ 2,056.00
Midwest Presbyterial	11,077.95
New York Presbyterial	6,043.05
Ohio-Illinois Presbyterial	8,403.32
Pacific Coast Presbyterial	1,461.00
Pittsburgh Presbyterial	6,993.88
Miscellaneous Contributions	2,409.05
Interest	90.30
	\$38,534.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Contingent Fund

NAE Fellowship	\$107.50	
Synodical Handbook Expense	608.84	
Officers & Superintendents Exp	90.32	
Treasurer's Bond	40.00	
Memorial Memberships	50.00	
Missionaries' gifts	99.29	
Conference Expense	953.81	\$1,949.76

Thankoffering Fund

Home Missions	\$ 8,499.08	
Foreign Missions	17,998.17	\$26,497.25

Special Projects Fund

Australia	\$250.00	
R.P. Women's Association	1,500.00	
Air Mail Postage	133.44	\$1,883.44

Designated Funds

Home Missions	\$ 1,057.00	
Foreign Missions	162.00	
Japan	1,301.55	
Geneva College	1,124.50	
Seminary	1,241.00	
R.P. Home	707.50	
National Reform Association	625.75	
Reformation Translation Fellowship	955.50	
Synod's Budget	75.00	
Rev. Ray Joseph	20.00	
Rev. & Mrs. E. R. Hemphill	50.00	
Rev. Robert McCracken	50.00	
Australia	20.00	
Rochester	25.00	
Oswego	10.00	
Colorado Springs	20.00	
Carleton Conference	20.00	
Endwell Fellowship	25.00	
White Lake Camp	40.00	\$7,529.80

Disbursements	\$ 37,860.25
Less inter-fund transfer	50.00

Total Disbursements	\$37,810.25
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Mrs. Willard Hemphill
Treasurer

DISBURSEMENT

TOWA	DECEMBER 31, 1984 MEMBERSHIP										AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			1984 FINANCES																				
	INCREASE					DECREASE					Elders	Deacons	Worship		Sabbath School	C.Y.P.U.	Parsonage	RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS													
	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof	Baptized Chd. Prof of Faith	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total			Deaths	To R.P. Cong.				To Other Denom	Final Removal	Other	Total	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985		
Marion	1	2	3	4	5	3	1	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Sharon	140	111	92	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	5	19	30	11	6	81	37	4	Yes	5,767	1,776	47,547	17,785	1,000	620	12,828	22,693	10,805	20,030	12,000	
Washington	117	110	71	35	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	8	5	8	5	58	40	10	No	1,475	1,475	33,280	19,328	12,655	5,363	10,094	47,087	2,255	18,914	19,850		
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MIDWEST	DECEMBER 31, 1984 MEMBERSHIP													AVERAGE ATTENDANCE					1984 FINANCES																
	INCREASE						DECREASE							ATTENDANCE			RECEIPTS					DISBURSEMENTS													
	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	Baptized Chd. Prof. of Faith	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Conv. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R.P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Final Removal	Other	Total	Worship	Sabbath School	C.Y.P.U.	Parsonage	RECEIPTS					DISBURSEMENTS									
																					Balance 12-31-83	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Aurora																																			
Clanania																																			
Colorado Springs																																			
Denison																																			
Greeley																																			
Hays																																			
Hebron																																			
Lawrence																																			
Manhattan																																			
Minneapolis																																			
Quinter																																			
Shawnee																																			
Sterling																																			
Superior-Beulah																																			
Topoka																																			
Westminster																																			
Winchester																																			
Ministerial Members																																			
On Presbytery's Roll																																			
TOTALS	1196	1229	932	297	12	6	7	63	3	91	8	11	14	12	15	60	70	67	919	787	37	8	78,423	10,100	793,579	803,679	295,438	71,433	47,103	375,356	789,332	92,770	257,034	313,642	

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OHIO-ILLINOIS	DECEMBER 31, 1964 MEMBERSHIP												1984 FINANCES																						
	INCREASE						DECREASE						AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS																
	Total Membership						Total						Worship			Total Receipts			Total Disbursements																
	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Parsonage	C.Y.P.U.	Sabbath School	Balance 12-31-63	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
Belle Center	36	36	28	8																															
Bloomington	87	84	71	13		1	2			3	1	4			1	6	3	56	31	5	Yes	10,534	17,342	20,261		25,471	25,471	16,211	4,335	2,004	2,656	25,176	20,556	10,002	16,211
Columbus	61	52	37	15		1				1						10	1	55	40		No	2,428	5,000	49,484	54,853	48,853	17,947	25,108	5,888	5,174	25,558	54,582	7,501	18,750	
Covenant Fellowship	20	15	11	4													5																		
Hebertown	30	30	22	8		1				1	1					1	2	2	15	14	2	Yes	2,653	3,750	14,899	18,649	13,847	1,208	859	2,416	18,320	2,982	1,404	9,452	
Oakdale	51	50	45	5							1						1	3	2	31		Yes	602		30,718	30,718	13,110	5,482	4,992	2,852	10,656	29,820	1,800	12,750	
Ogden	28	30	24	6						3							1	2	3			Yes	(995)		20,611	20,611	17,104	4,921	5,482	2,852	20,345	19,416	29,200		
Orlando	126	146	105	41		3	7	3		20						3	5	120	90		No	8,574		8,574		81,029	81,029	27,990	8,335	4,517	30,245	10,487	41,114	28,200	
Second	134	140	93	47	21	2	4	2		10		2				2	4	8	6	100	90	No	542		95,228	95,228	26,965	8,500	4,314	54,327	94,106	1,664	28,400		
Salma	68	72	52	20		1	3	3		9	3					2	5	2	4	60	28	Yes	1,556		32,082	32,082	16,004	19,304	972	91,135	10	30,374	44,983	10,336	17,485
Southfield	39	36	30	6		1										4	4	3	32	25	Yes	43,385		31,982	31,982	19,304	1,925	91,135	2,370	43,065	75,407	4,231	28,444		
Southside	90	80	46	34		2	1			3		12				1	13	3	4	85	50	No	8,639		70,999	70,999	25,724	4,248	60,700	83,924	20,011	19,700			
Sparta	50	58	42	16		1	3	3		2	9					1	1	6	2	45	46	Yes	40,720		63,215	63,215	15,866	5,334	1,894	60,700	83,924	20,011	19,700		
West Lafayette	73	80	56	24		2	9			11		4				4	3		70	64	No	3,462	1,290	31,601	32,801	14,433	360	3,634	28,811	7,452	5,000	19,507			
Chicago Mission Station	7	7	5	2															12		No			</											

OHIO-ILLINOIS	DECEMBER 31, 1964 MEMBERSHIP																	1984 FINANCES																		
	INCREASE										DECREASE							AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS												
	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	Baptized Chd. Prof. of Faith	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R.P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Final Removal	Other	Total	Elders	Deacons	Worship	Sabbath School	C.Y.P.U.	Parsonage	Balance 12-31-63	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
Belle Center	36	36	28	8														3	2	39	30	11	Yes	20,261		25,471	25,471	16,211	4,335	2,004	2,656	25,176	20,556	10,002	16,211	
Bloomington	87	84	71	13		1	2			3	1	4				1	6	6	3	56	31	5	Yes	10,534		48,853	48,853	17,942	5,888	5,174	25,558	54,582	4,926	7,501	18,750	
Columbus	61	52	37	15		1				1			10				10	1	2	55	40		No	2,428	5,000	49,484	54,484	17,348	1,525	1,700	25,780	54,113	3,103	26,840		
Covenant Fellowship	20	15	11	4									5				5	3	14	14			No	284		12,747	12,747	10,469	25	536	1,991	13,021	10	9,452		
Hebertown	30	30	22	8		1				1	1						1	2	2	22	15	2	Yes	2,653	3,750	14,899	18,649	13,847	1,208	859	2,416	18,330	2,982	14,084		
Oakdale	51	50	45	5							1						602	1	3	33	31		Yes	(495)		30,718	30,718	13,110	5,482	492	2,952	10,636	1,800	12,750		
Ogden	28	30	24	6						3							8,574	1	2	31		Yes	(495)		20,611	20,611	17,104	27,990	8,335	4,517	30,245	19,416	1,124	29,200		
Orlando	126	146	105	41		3	7	3		20							542	3	5	120	90	No	No	8,774		81,029	81,029	26,865	8,500	4,314	54,327	94,106	1,664	41,114	28,400	
Second	134	140	93	47	21	2	4	2		10	2						1,556	6	6	100	90	No	No	542		95,228	95,228	26,865	8,500	4,314	54,327	94,106	1,664	41,114	28,400	
Salma	68	72	52	20		1	3	3		9	3						1,556	2	2	4	60	5	Yes	43,385		32,082	32,082	16,004	19,304	972	15,013	31,989	10,336	17,485		
Southfield	39	36	30	6		1				1			4				4	4	3	32	26	Yes	Yes	43,385		31,982	31,982	19,304	1,925	9,135	10	30,374	44,983	9,136	19,304	
Southside	90	80	46	34		2	1			3	3	12					8,639	1	4	85	50	No	No	8,639		70,999	70,999	25,724	4,248	2,370	43,065	75,407	4,231	28,444		
Sparta	50	58	42	16		1	3	3		2	9							1	6	2	45	46	5	Yes	40,720		63,215	63,215	15,866	5,334	1,894	60,700	83,924	20,011	19,700	
West Lafayette	73	80	56	24		2	9			11	4						3,462	1,290		70	64	No	No	3,462		31,601	32,801	14,433	360	3,634	10,384	29,811	7,452	5,000	19,507	
Chicago Mission Station	7	7	5	2																12			No	704			2,982	2,982						2,131	76,422	
Ministerial Members	20	23								3	3																									
On Presbytery's Roll	7	5	1	4								2																								
TOTALS	929	944	691	253	21	15	17	27	8	7	74	6	24	20	2	7	59	48	37	774	485	28	7	143,389	9,950	611,901	621,851	259,567	41,915	43,122	267,348	631,953	133,267	163,402	277,877	

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TOTALS

ST. LAWRENCE	DECEMBER 31, 1984 MEMBERSHIP												AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			1984 FINANCES																			
	INCREASE						DECREASE						Sabbath School	Worship	Deacons	Elders	RECEIPTS							DISBURSEMENTS											
	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof	Baptized Chd.	Prof of Faith	By Baptism	By Prof of Faith	From Conv. Cong	From Other Denom	Other	Total	Deaths					To R.P. Cong.	To Other Denom	Final Removal	Other	Total	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Total Membership 1983	63	61	48	13								2					2	3	4	39	34	6	Yes	13,873		43,238	43,238	17,589	4,012	4,016	15,361	40,989	16,222	178	18,300
Almonte																																			
Lashon																																			
Lochiel																																			
Oswego																																			
Ottawa																																			
Rochester																																			
Syracuse																																			
Walton																																			
Endwell M.S.																																			
Ministerial Members	12	14	14																																
On Presbytery's Roll																																			
TOTALS	394	439	326	113	6	14	17	12	10	3	56	4	2	2	3	11	20	22	407	283	10	7	42,625	37,515	292,642	330,157	292,642	330,157	162,770	16,037	24,142	120,885	323,834	48,946	180,131

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PRESBYTERIES	DECEMBER 31, 1984 MEMBERSHIP										1984 FINANCES																								
	INCREASE										DECREASE										AVERAGE ATTENDANCE			RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS								
	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	Baptized Chd / Prof of Faith	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Gov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R.P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Final Removal	Other	Total	Elders	Deacons	Worship	Sabbath School	C Y P U	Parsonage	Balance 12-31-83	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-84	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1985	
Iowa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Midwest	1,198	229	932	297	12	6	7	63	3	91	7	63	3	32	19	61	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
New York	404	391	308	83	3	10	10	7	1	29	5	13	1	3	12	42	20	18	262	160	14	4	26,297	4,000	225,756	229,756	80,104	21,672	21,097	88,421	211,294	44,759	257,034	499,536	99,903
Ohio Illinois	929	944	691	253	21	15	17	27	8	74	6	24	3	2	7	59	48	37	774	485	28	7	143,989	9,950	611,901	621,851	259,667	41,915	43,123	287,348	631,953	133,287	163,402	277,877	
Pacific Coast	428	415	296	125	1	9	17	6	12	3	13	19	43	16	22	382	146	4	2	26,656	20,316	274,622	294,937	153,780	17,386	18,578	109,841	286,586	22,298	274,435	156,806				
Pittsburgh	1,384	1,330	1,030	353	4	33	12	29	42	1	117	15	30	49	7	16	117	72	76	1,080	756	54	9	64,613	19,300	747,909	767,209	258,472	66,316	73,915	344,921	743,524	85,298	575,398	292,372
St. Lawrence	384	439	326	113	6	14	17	12	10	3	56	3	2	3	2	3	37,515	292,642	330,157	162,770	16,007	24,142	120,985	762,334	48,948	10,791	180,131								
TOTAL HOME FIELD	5,057	5,070	3,741	296	37	98	79	89	121	16	453	46	85	102	72	88	383	285	250	3,399	2,704	161	39	390,420	101,180	3,054,377	3,155,657	1,255,389	244,424	240,560	3,101,482	444,495	1,830,542	1,352,591	
Japan	185	182	119	63	7	7	7	3	10	6	9	141	95	22	5	2,697	1,038	63,288	64,326	34,819	6,893	21,835	63,547	34,76	45,734	34,807									
TOTALS	5,242	5,252	3,860	359	37	105	79	89	124	16	413	46	85	109	75	88	403	271	259	3,540	2,799	183	54	393,117	102,218	3,117,665	3,219,863	1,290,208	245,424	247,453	3,176,944	447,971	1,876,276	1,387,398	

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